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『 Weakling Poland 』

《 AUTHORS NOTE; 》 Hey! Before you read, please understand I'm in the process of editing a lot of these again to add more historical details and evidence to support why I dislike certain things or why things are wrong. ***Every chapter you see with a * next to its name means I need to or am editing it.*** *For updated chapters, I have a link next to the new chapters or you can simply just look at the following chapter, I keep some up since the comments some people make are really good and I want others to read them. Thank you!*

Let's start off with this one because it's honestly what annoys me the most.

To make this clear: I get as to why Poland has the angel-like wings and where that aspect of designs come in. The Old Kingdom of Poland flag had a white eagle and so did Polish-Lithuania, but what bothers me is why Poland is considered so weak and shy. Why they can't do anything on their own, why they don't seem show improvement from their past. Shy, being introverted, having social anxiety, [etc] **isn't** a bad trait to have at all but the portray of it is just so bad.

Why can't Poland defend for himself? Why must he have to wait for Germany, or Russia, or even France to help him?

No country is weak, so why make it like his entire personality is just being submissive? Especially now, I mean look at far Poland has come since it's history. Poland has the 6th largest economy in Europe, and 5th largest GDP, and their military is ranked 24th in the world, so they aren't weak at all. They've improved, they've grown, express it.

| All the [US] statehumans stories |

[Edited as of 6/6/21]

Disclaimer; Please ignore this chapter and read the latest (https://www.wattpad.com/1191574213-let%27s-discuss-things-about-the-countryhumans) instead! I don't want to delete this one because of the well-written out comments that I feel bad getting rid off so just ignore this one!

1 [Un/One] . All the stories revolving around the states are all cliche.

Every statehuman story turns into RusAme. Everyone of them. And they all go like;

America is a working mother with 51[50 states + DC] and she struggles to support her family. She's sleep diverse and gets in trouble by UN because she falls asleep during a UN meeting. Other countries are suspicious by her behavior and follow her to her house for some reason. United Kingdom is surprised that her daughter has kids, despite her kids literally fighting for their independence agaist her. America has to explain, gets mentally sick for some reason, Russia helps her and the two fall in love.

I literally just summed up every statehumans story.

I wish there were more creative plots. Like, maybe America is a queen, and the states are her prince/princesses. Maybe people would have to fight for Dealwear's hand in marriage, or their kingdom is attacked and America's states must leave their kingdom.

What about the states have powers and America is the keeper of them all. She's able to control them, and has a little bit of everything.

What about an AU where the South turns on the North again and they go into another civil war.

I dont know, but I wish not everything ended with RusAme.

2 [Deux/Two] Let's talk about the actual states now, and how they're represented.

I'm going to talk about forgotten states. States like Wyoming, New Hampshire, Missouri, Oregon, and a lot of others are forgotten. The main ones seem to be Alaska, Texas, California, Alabama and Florida. But the sad thing is, is the main ones are just stereotypes. Much like Countryhumans, Statehumans is based off of sterotypes too. Texas is all cowgirl and that's it, Florida is all Florida woman and that's it. Alabama is all sweet home Alabama and that's it. Alaska is nothing but a cold tundra. Hawaii is a "perfect angel". Utah has no religion. Personally, I wish more people would look deeper into a state and like countryhumans, think about what their people are like. Utah is full of religion. It has so many, and so many beliefs, it would be very interesting to see how people could incorporate that. Alabamians are very friendly and kind. Alaskans acts how you act towards them, so Alaska would only be mean if the person interacting with her was mean first.

I love New Hampshire. It's beautiful in the fall and I absolutely love it! I wish they would get some representation in this fandom!

Also, a lot of the states are older than a lot of countries. South Korea, North Korea, Germany, Russia, Slovakia, Croatia, so why are they concidered children...? They should be a lot older, even Hawaii.

Hawaii isn't some angel. They were a kingdom once. They were strong. They are strong. They aren't just some angel who relies on everybody to do stuff for them.

3 [trois/three] . A lot of historical events arent mentioned.

A lot of people forget historical events that happened. An example would be, was during the War of 1812, DC was burnt to the ground. DC has no marking of the event, which I know it was a long time ago but scars don't fade, so having something be a resemblance of that event would be more accurate or add more backstory.

The Battle of Rhode Island during the revolutionary war is also another big event that happened. It was the first attempt to have French and American forces come together. Rhode Island shows no memory of it though, or no thought about it.

Alaska doesnt show any emotion revolving her past. Native Alaskans were created poorly and horribly when the Russian Empire had colonized it. They were abused and taken advantage of, so Alaska should have some scar left behind of that. Abuse is not something you just forget, and taking that into consideration might help with her current personality.

『 The (US) Statehumans Stories [Updated] 』

- Yeah, this is updated because I've had a little change in opinions.

1 [Un/One] . All the stories revolving around the states are all cliché.

Every statehuman story turns into RusAme. Everyone of them. And they all go like;

America is an overworked father with 51 [50 states + DC] and he struggles to support his family becauae he thought 51 kids was a good idea for some reason. He's sleep deprived and gets in trouble by UN because he falls asleep during a UN meeting (even though out of 193 countries youd think more than one country would fall asleep but who cares about them, am I right?) Other countries are suspicious by his behavior and follow him to his house for some reason because that totally isn't weird or a stalkerish thing to do and definitely can't get you questioned by police if caught. United Kingdom is surprised that his son has kids, even though 13 of his kids literally fighting for their independence against him but apparently history doesn't matter at all and the UK is just an angry person who does nothing but disapprove of every little inconvenience in his life. America has to explain, gets randomly mentally sick with depression for some reason because the plot needs some mental illness to revolve around or else this wouldn't be RusAme, Russia helps him and the two fall in love and boom. Last updated April 2020.

I literally just summed up every statehumans story. You're welcome.

I wish there were more creative plots. Like I can try to name a few;

= America is a queen. Her states are her prince, princesses, or servants, depending on the power they have, typically younger states are the servants who more serve the royals due to not being as experienced being in the line of duty. What if people would have to fight for Delaware's hand in marriage because she's the first in line for queen and can't do it without a husband. Or possibly their kingdom is attacked and America's states must leave their kingdom or fight against the attacker. What if other country's provinces come alive too and the states must learn how to connect with them.

= What if the states have powers but those powers correspond to their states in real life. For example, Hawaii would have the ability to bend water due to being an island nations known for their waters. California could be a shape shifter due to Hollywood and shes always changing into different people to act. New Hampshire can turns things into different colours because of the colour changing leaves her state is known for. Of course states can double powers in that instant too because two states can be known for the same thing. Like Idaho and Wisconsin can both have the power of making things grow because Idaho is known for Potatoes and Wisconsin is known for cheese so one can control the birth of foods and the other animals. What if America is the keeper of them all and she's able to control them. Able to give or take powers away from states.

= What about an AU where the South turns on the North again and they go into another civil war. The south has over 700,000 active military people combined and 3/5 of the most physically strongest states are located in the South (Texas, Virginia, and North Carolina). For muscle quality, Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi is the the top 3 with Missouri and Tennessee following quick behind so they have strong people there. If this AU were to dive deeper in with training the Southern States so they can become stronger than it would be a pretty interesting concept of the South having the opportunity to take over instead of having a state like California or New York take them down with ease.

= Another AU that I thought of too could be slightly inspired by "All Summer in a Day" where it's raining all the time in their

universe and states like Florida (known as the Sunshine state) struggles with accepting the reality of it. What if Florida goes on a mission to bring back the sun and is in her lab all day trying to figure that out! Like it can revolve around her trying to fix figure out what happened to the sun.

I don't know, I just want to try and shake things up and have Statehumans stories actually be statehumans instead of some RusAme story taking it over. It gets a little annoying once RusAme gets dragged into it or it's revolved around the same states the entire time.

2 [Deux/Two] Let's talk about the actual states now, and how they're represented.

I'm going to talk about forgotten states for a quick moment because obviously they're never involved in stories. I'll jot down some states I think are less popular and things that I found pretty neat about them.

= Wyoming| You guys, Wyoming was the first state to allow Women to vote. In 1869, John Campbell signed the act of the Wyoming Territorial Legislature and gave women the right to vote. It also has the largest hot springs in the US, and has a tower called the Devils Tower which gets its nickname when Explorer Richard Dodge misinterpreted it's name by accident, which is pretty funny to me.

= New Hampshire| You guys, have you SEEN this state in the Autumn? It is absolutely GORGEOUS! The Mountains and nature there is like a must see during the autumn times. Not to mention Alan Shepard and Christa McAuliffe was born there and their stories are pretty interesting to look into if you were to look more into it!

= Missouri| Missouri has the Gateway arch! And St Joseph was the starting point of the Pony Express. They also have 8 states bordering them making it the state with the most neighbours. Eminem, John Goodman, and Helen Cornelius were all born there too in case you were wondering.

= Vermont| Vermont had like the best maple syrup when I went

there omg- It was so good! Like New Hampshire, their leaves in the autumn times is absolutely gorgeous! Jell-o is their state snack which I found pretty cute too haha.

= Maine| Lobsters and blueberries I 100% buying there. They were just so good when I visit Maine, even the blueberries tasted so much better than what the blueberries are like in France. Also do you see how adorable baby Moose are? They are the cutest!

= Minnesota| Lake Superior look really cool! I've never been personally but I've seen pictures and it looks really cool! Plus Target and Best Buy was created there so if you like those stores there's a fun fact!

= Nebraska| They made Kool-aid and gave the biggest indoor rain forest! Also, the largest mammoth fossil was found in Lincoln County, Nebraska which was pretty interesting to read about! It's 14 feet tall and when I looked it up it's tusks looked about the height of it's skeleton (feet to back). So yeah!

= Kansas| You guyssss the sunflowers there are adorableeeee!!! It's beautiful! But for a fact about them, the name Kansas comes from the Native American Tribe called the Kansa (also Kaw) which means People of the South Winds. They have a mountain called Mt Sunflower which I find that name absolutely adorable!

= Washington| I heard Washington has really good apples, pears, red raspberries, and sweet cherries. As somebody who loves cherries that was pretty cool to hear! If you're a Beatles fan, Seattle was the first city in the US to play a Beatles song on the radio. And if you like Starbucks, Washington created that too.

= Oregon| Crater Lake National Park looked really pretty when I looked up Oregon states. Same goes for Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area! So they are a really pretty state to go see! I haven't seen it myself but when I looked up the state did look really pretty with all their national parks!

The main ones that I see (which I didn't add a fact for because you've probably seen more about these states than the ones I mentioned above combined.)

= Alaska

= Texas

= California

= Alabama (for the memes, mainly)

= Florida

= New York (forgot him last time lol)

= Hawai'i (she's used often for little father-daughter moments)

(All the other states are in between, they aren't necessarily forgotten yet popular.)

The thing that annoys me though is the facts the main states are personified purely out of stereotypes or revolved around one city. Much like how I've mentioned with Countryhumans, Statehumans is based off of stereotypes too and aren't really looked much into. Like how Texas is all cowgirl and that's all there is to her, Florida is all Floridaman who doesn't care about other people's feelings and that's it. Alabama is all sweet home Alabama and that's it. Alaska is nothing but a cold tundra. Hawaii is a "perfect angel". Utah has no religion—no personality.

Personally, I wish more people would look deeper into a state and like countryhumans, think about what their people are like as well as their state as a whole instead of one specific area. Like California isn't all Hollywood and Utah is full of different religions and diverse people. It has so many beliefs, it would be very interesting to see how people could incorporate that into his character. Alabamians are very friendly and kind, I visited once and they were just so sweet. Alaska isn't just a tundra, it has a history, it has a backstory and a personality.

I love New Hampshire which might seem a little obvious when I was talking about them in the "underrated" states section. It's beautiful in the fall and I absolutely love it! I wish they would get some representation in this fandom too!

Also, something I'd like to bring up too; a lot of the states are older than a lot of countries. South Korea, North Korea, United Germany, Russia, Slovakia, Croatia, even United Italy so why are they considered children...? They should be a lot older than them, even Hawaii. (I used to have this headcanon where New York was the "baby sitter" of Liberia when her parents were busy because the country was founded by Jehudi Ashmun, a New Yorker.)

And I'd like to wrap this section up with saying how Hawaii isn't some angel either. They were a kingdom once, which obviously becoming a kingdom comes power and authority. She isn't just some child who relies on everybody to do stuff for her—Indigenous Hawai'ians are rather vocal about regaining their culture, and their dislike for the cost of tourism because it affects them negatively. Some tourists don't treat the land correctly and harass, ruin, and hurt the life there which negatively affects everything around it. The culture of hawai'i has been misrepresented, their history isn't taught. Lily Hi'ilani Okimura (a native Hawai'ian in O'ahu) talks about the situation in Hawai'i through her tiktok and asks people not to visit due to the affect it has. She also shows some of her cultural dances on the app too. (And I am not saying every hawai'ian is unfriendly towards visitors, however I am saying there is two interpretations to every event and understanding both is important. The state is beautiful, wanting to visit isn't bad on its own, however some people are struggling due to the high tourism and mistreatment on the land) I also heard it's really expensive so maybe Hawaii would have a flaw of showing off her money by subconsciously saying likes like "wow that's cheat" to things other states can't afford.

3 [trois/three] . A lot of historical events aren't mentioned.

I see this with countryhumans too, but statehumans I think is a little less obvious since a lot of people just associate a state's history with the country as a whole. But theres a bunch of state's who's history is a lot more... not complex but long and more interesting than they're led on to be because a lot of events are left behind. An example would be during the War of 1812 where DC/the White House was burnt to the ground. DC has no marking of the event, which I know it was a long time ago but scars don't fade, so having

something be a resemblance of that event would be more accurate or add more backstory to DC in the statehumans world.

How about the Molasses Flood in Massachusetts? It's pretty interesting and may not show a scar but being flooded by molasses would probably be traumatic for Massachusetts. It would be an event he'd have in the back of his mind for the rest of his life because naturally it would scare him half to death.

The Battle of Rhode Island during the revolutionary war is also another relatively big event that happened. It was the first attempt to have French and American forces come together. Rhode Island shows no memory of it though, or no thought about it.

Alaska doesn't show any emotion revolving her past with the Russian Empire. Native Alaskans were created poorly and horribly when the Russian Empire had colonized it. They were abused and taken advantage of during that time and some were even forced to leave their homes or invite the Russians into theirs, so Alaska should have mental some scar left behind of that at least. Being mentally manipulated is not something you just forget, not even with a lot of therapy sessions will you forget how mistreated you were so why is this always forgotten?

| Inaccurate/disrespectful Ships [OLD] |

[edited as of 24/5/21]

Disclaimer; read the latest ; https://www.wattpad.com/1132009124-let%27s-discuss-things-about-the-countryhumans instead, s'il te plaît! Once again I find some of these comments really important and don't want them to be lost!

→South Korea × Japan (or North Korea x Japan)

→Empire of Japan × Korean Empire

History lesson; Japan invaded Korea in the 1590's as well. They had a war called the Injin war. In 1592 Japan invaded Korea and it is called the Imjin invasion. They trucked in 1596 only for Japan to invade them again a year later which is called the Chongyu War. In 1910, the Japan Empire attacked Korea again until 1945. During that time, Japan forced the Koreans to not speak Korean, raped them and tried wiping out all korean culture. Korea had a movement on March 1st of 1919 for indepence from Japan, which sadly failed. Nobody seems to think about the fact on how Korea doesnt forgive Japan either. And I believe they refuse to admit war crimes towards each other. While North Korea and Japan has discussed making a diplomatic relationship, South Korea and Japan are still pointing fingers at each other and blaming each other for things. According to the BBC news article, "At the centre is South Korea's demands that Japan pay what they consider to be appropriate reparations for atrocities committed during the Japanese occupation of the Korean peninsula from 1910 to 1945, particularly the use of forced labour." So they haven't forgiven them, and at this point, it isnt going to happen.

→South Korea × North Korea

The Korean War happened through 1950-1953 between the two Korea's, hence the "Korean Warz". More than 5 million people died during that time, and it just seemed like a tug-of-war agaist the two and the prize was "who would get full control over korea." The war is technically not over because the two countries refused to sign anything officially ending it. North Korea also blew up South Korea's Yeonpyeong Island, killing 4 people and injuring 19 others. Then they blew up the Liaison Office. An office meant to discuss how to reunite Korea. So they were doing good then North blew stuff up which sent their relationship back. They arent on the best of terms. According to history.com, "The Korean conflict is an ongoing conflict based on the division of Korea between North Korea (Democratic People's Republic of Korea) and South Korea (Republic of Korea), both of which claim to be the sole legitimate government of all of Korea."

→Third Reich × Soviet Union

Third Reich backstabbed The Soviet Union in 1941 and invaded them to try and kill not only their Jewish population but expand nazism. They hated each other after that and the Soviets fought agaist them. The nazi's actions cant be denied. What they did was awful, and can't be undone. They killed millions of innocent people just because of religion. However, the Soviets actions cant br let go either. They both attacked Poland, dividing the country between them and killin their people. It isn't something you throw away like that.

→America × North Korea

→America × China

Much like Mexico and America, North Korea, China and America don't have a good relationship, "Currently, the United States and China have mutual political, economic, and security interests, such as the proliferation of nuclear weapons, but there are unresolved concerns relating to the role of democracy in government in China and human rights in China." During the Korean War, America was agaist both North Korea and China trying to defend South Korea, and they ended up bombing each others sides a lot. Not to mention the US has prohibited the use of their passports to North Korea "arguing that U.S. citizens have been subject to arrest and long-term detention for actions that would not otherwise be a cause for arrest in the United States or other countries." And, " United States released a travel warning to United States citizens, warning would-be visitors of previous encounters and dangers in North Korea." So if that doesnt change your mind, so be it, but it is not aloud here. [I do not remember where I got this information from]

→China × Japan

I know I shouldnt use wikipedia as a source, but according to them, "The enmity between these two countries emanated from the history of the Japanese war and the imperialism and maritime disputes in the East China Sea (Xing, 2011). Thus, as much as these two nations are close business partners, there is an undercurrent of tension, which the leaders from both sides are trying to quell." To dig a little deeper within that statement, during world war 2, Japan attacked China's south-east coast. They controlled and annexed a

large chunk of their land. The Japanese killed millions of Chinese citizens and soldiers and tried claiming their land as their own. As the Truman library stated a whole lot more than I did, "Conflict in Asia began well before the official start of World War II. Seeking raw materials to fuel its growing industries, Japan invaded the Chinese province of Manchuria in 1931. By 1937 Japan controlled large sections of China, and accusations of war crimes against the Chinese became commonplace." Because of that, I dont want ship these two based on their history and modern day relations. It seems like something that would offend a lot of people, and that's not what I want to do.

→Soviet Union × Afghanistan

If I'm being honest, I didn't know much about their relationship, so I couldn't tell you much from my understanding. However I did know they had a bad relationship due to the Soviet Afghan War and I did find this, "The Soviet Union feared the loss of its communist proxy in Afghanistan. Thus, over the course of the 1980's, the Soviet Union poured in billions of dollars (US) into the war in Afghanistan, and at its peak, more than 100,000 Soviet soldiers were fighting in the country." to support my reasonings. I found it on understandingwar.org, which sums up the reason I wont write about them.

→Pakistan × India

According to national geographic, "Relations between the two states have been defined by the violent partition of British India in 1947 which started the Kashmir conflict, and the numerous military conflicts fought between the two nations. Consequently, their relationship has been plagued by hostility and suspicion." They also stated, "The dispute between India and Pakistan over Kashmir was sparked by a fateful decision in 1947, and has resulted in decades of violence, including two wars. Since 1947, India and Pakistan have been locked in conflict over Kashmir, a majority-Muslim region in the northernmost part of India." So what's going on it no small matter. They shouldnt be romantic towards each other.

→Argentina × the UK

"On 2 April 1982, Argentinian forces invaded the British overseas territory of the Falkland Islands. Argentina had claimed sovereignty over the islands for many years and their ruling military junta did not believe that Britain would attempt to regain the islands by force." So this should go without saying. The UK and Argeitina went to war in the 1970's over Falkland and had a major dispute over it. [I do not remeber where I got this information from]

→Russia × Ukraine

As I've said before, I know I shouldnt use wikipedia as a source for this, but they stated in their article about Ukraine/Russian relations, "Relations between the two countries have been hostile since the , followed by Russia's annexation of Crimea from Ukraine, and over Russia's backing for the separatists fighters of the and the in that by early 2020 had killed more than 13,000 people and brought western sanctions to Russia." They also began talking about the Russo-Ukrainian war saying, "Currently, the two countries are engaged in the which started in 2014 following the Russian invasion of Crimea." "Russian masked troops invade and occupy key Crimean locations, including airports and military bases, following Putin's orders." Putin also remarked that they "must start working on returning Crimea to Russia" so what they did was no mistake and they arent going to willing back down.

→The sunshine harem

It's not only overrated, but Spain, America and Japan all colonized the Philippines, so why do you want to make them all in love with them? It doesnt make sense to me. Plus how the Philippines is portrayed is also another thing I should talk about later on in another chapter.

→Third Reich × Poland

→Third Reich × Israel

→Third Reich × France

→Third Reich × UK

Third Reich invaded Poland, France and the UK, which is quite obvious. By Third Reich and Soviet attacking Poland is what started the second world war officially and then their power just spread over to other European countries. Remember D-Day? D-Day was meant to get Third Reich off of France and free their peope from them. They fought each other, invaded and killed each others people. Third Reich tortured their people and nobody in Euorped liked the. Expecially Poland and France. Since the Third Reich has ended, the countries of Euorpe has made a good relationship with Germany, but they won't forget what the Third Reich did to them. The holocaust was horrible and why people ship Poland and Third Reich is far beyond me, but I wont tolerate it.

→Armania × Azerbaijan

According to the medium.com, "In 2020, amidst a global pandemic, Armenia and Azerbaijan opened fire on each other, continuing their almost century-long war against one another. After World War I, the two countries came into being after the breaking up of the Transcaucasian Federation. Both of them joined the USSR, which set up a zone of ethnic Armenians inside Azerbaijan named Nagorno-Karabakh. This region has been the crux of the issues between these two countries, both of whom have laid claim on the area. Azerbaijan believes that because the territory is within its borders, they deserve to control it, while Armenia says that the area is majority Armenian and thus rightfully should join Armenia." So obvious they hate each other.

→Greece × Turkey

Once again, I'm going to straight up take meduim.com 's words to explain their relationship and why I wont write them. "The conflict between Turkey and Greece dates back centuries to Alexander the Great and his conquest of the Persian Empire. Since then, their ideologies have clashed, which has morphed into a religious, cultural, and land war during the Ottoman reign. Several wars, resource disputes, and issues with EU membership have left a bitter taste in the mouths of both Greece and Turkey over the years." They also mentioned how in the case of Turkey, the modern republic was also formed after the end of the "Ottoman rule in World War I, where Turkey primarily fought wars against Greece and was

successful in gaining enough land to create a state." [I can not find the article I took this from]

→Empire of Japan × Third Reich

[Explanation is a work in progress]

→Soviet Union × America

The Cold War I'd a major key in this. "However, the relationship between the two nations was a tense one. Americans had long been wary of Soviet communism and concerned about Russian leader Joseph Stalin's tyrannical rule of his own country." The cold war also involved wars such as the Korean War and Vietnamese War, which the 2 countries partnered with opposite opponents. History.com [owner of the first statement] also added that "after the war ended, these grievances ripened into an overwhelming sense of mutual distrust and enmity."

→Russian Empire × Alaska [yes. Yes you heard that correct]

This is just straight up wrong. The Russian Empire sold Alaska, so this would not only be incest but pedophilia too.

→Soviet Union × Finland

"In August 1939, Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union agreed that Finland belonged in the Soviet Union's sphere of influence. During World War II, Finland fought on two occasions against the Soviet Union on the German side. Finland lost both wars, but the Soviet Union never occupied Finland." According to infofinland. They also mentioned how "Finland was strongly in the German sphere of influence because the Soviet Union became the biggest threat to the security of the state." Therefore, it's quite obvious that there two didnt have a good relationship. Despite the friendship treaty, the winter war was something you cant just throw away, and has to be taken into consideration.

→Empire of Japan × America

I'm going to cheat and literally just take history.com's words; "Japan's surprise attack on Pearl Harbor would drive the United

States out of isolation and into World War II, a conflict that would end with Japan's surrender after the devastating nuclear bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August 1945. At first, however, the Pearl Harbor attack looked like a success for Japan."

→Mexico × America

I do not have much evidence to support this, however a few of my Mexican friends have said that this relationship would be toxic towards the both of them. They said that mexicans and Americans are racist towards each other and because of that, I'm going to keep it here. Not to mention, Mexican immigrants are illegally coming across the US boarder, which is the reason the wall was/is being built, and I've been told that due to that, this ship can be ruled out

→Netheands × Indonesia

[This one is from @Hopemess_0405] "This is one of the most overrated ships and the ship itself is very toxic since its a colonizers x colonised country ship. Netherlands literally colonised Indonesia for centuries, killed, tortured and r@ped them, the list goes on! Indonesians had to pay heavy taxes to the Dutch people just for them (the Dutch) to acknowledge their (Indonesians) declaration of independence."

→Indonesia × Malaysia

[Also from @Hopeless_0405] "Their relationship is like a sibling rivalry love-hate ish. They would fight over the most ridiculous and smallest problems. Dont get me started that some Indonesians burnt my country's flag and even hanged it upside down (it's a sign of disrespectfulness to do that to the flag of Malaysia) to trigger us Malaysians years ago. Their relationship is techincally negative-neutral."

→Communist Party of Indonesia [PKI] × Malaysan Peoples' Anti-Japanese Army [MPAJA]
[And the last one @Hopeless_0405 had said] "Don't get me started on this one. But if you don't know who they are, PKI stands for

Partai Kommunis Indonesia (Communist Party of Indonesia) and MPAJA stands for Malaya People's Anti-Japanese Army (Malaya is an old country name for Malaysia). Heres a brief history of why they existed:PKI was created to drive the Dutch colonisers away from Indonesia. While for MPAJA, their sole purpose was to fight the Japanese soldiers for invading Malaya back in WW2 (there are actually more! I'm just only explaining the minority part)Shipping both communist parties are a big no no for me. Plus, Indonesians in general are homophobic (no offense to those who aren't) due to religious reasons, the ship itself wouldn't 100% make much sense."

→ Austria x Hungary

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┏ Innacurate & Disrespectful ships [UPDATED] ┛

This is the updated version of the previous chapter. I edited this and added a lot more details because I felt it was important to get the point across and I don't think I managed to do that in the old chapter. The last 4 are still the same because they are by poeple I had spoken to and I wanted to keep it their words.

→South Korea × Japan (or North Korea x Japan)

→ Empire of Japan × Korean Empire

→ Japan × Any Korean Member

I'm going to go through a history lesson with you all; Japan invaded Korea not once, but as a matter a fact twice. Or at least, they tried an unsuccessful attempt to colonize them back in 1592. When the invasion had happened in 1592, it began a war between Joseon [the Korean Kingdom which lasted from 1392-1897], Japan, and the Ming Dynasty siding by Joseon. Japan invaded Korea by the orders of Toyotomi Hideyoshi in an attempt to conquer Korea, this being called the Imjin invasion. Japan had managed to gain a good chunk of the Korean Peninsula, however, they were unsuccessful to gain any more after Ming had joined in to support Korea. You may think "Oh, it's over." it was not. Japan invade them again in 1597 which is called the Chongyu War, to which Japan took a chunk of Korea into their hands before Ming came in and pushed them off, eventually making Japan flee home. Let us timeskip to 1873 where Japan had a literal DEBATE about whether they wanted to invade Korea or not. They hadn't, however that didn't stop Japan from invading them AGAIN in 1910. The 1910 invasion had taken place from 1910 to when Japan was bombed in 1945. The Minister of War of Japan [Terauchi Masatake] was given the mission to Invade and overall colonize the Korean Empire. Japan had full control over the media in Korea, the authorities, the laws, anything Korea had was now controlled by Japan. Also during this time, Japan forced the Koreans to not speak Korean, raped them and tried wiping out all Korean culture. Korea had a movement on March 1st of 1919 for independence from Japan, which sadly failed. Nobody seems to think about the fact on how Korea doesn't forgive Japan either. And I believe they refuse to admit war crimes towards each other. While North Korea and Japan have discussed making a diplomatic relationship, South Korea and Japan are still pointing fingers at each other and blaming each other for things. According to the BBC news article, "At the centre is South Korea's demands that Japan pays what they consider to be appropriate reparations for atrocities committed during the Japanese occupation of the Korean peninsula from 1910 to 1945, particularly the use of forced labour." So they

haven't forgiven them, and at this point, it isn't going to happen.

→South Korea × North Korea

I feel as if this ship goes without saying but I shall say it anyway; The Korean War happened. It really did happen. As "forgotten" as it may be, it majorly affected both North and South Korea and was no joke when it comes to how many people had died/were affected. For those of you who do not know this war; it happened between 1950-1953 between the two Korea's, hence the name, the "Korean War", or the "Forgotten War." More than 5 million people died during that time, 2-3million being civilians, and that being 10% of Korea's population, 70% of North Korea's deaths being their civilians. The main alliances for South Kore being the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, Turkey, Australia, Philippines, New Zealand, Thailand, Ethiopia, Greece, Colombia, France, Belgium, South Africa, Netherlands, and Luxembourg, medical support being Italy, West Germany, India, Sweden, Denmark, and Norway, then a few other supports being Japan, Israel, Taiwan, Pakistan, Cuba, El Salvador, and Spain. North Korea had countries such as the Soviet Union, China, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary, Mongolia, Poland, and Romania to support them through the war, the USSR + China being the most important. Throughout the war, it just seemed like a tug-of-war against the two and the prize was "who would get full control over Korea." The war is technically not over because the two countries refused to sign anything officially ending it, and tensions between the two have been rising over the past few years. For example, North Korea blew up South Korea's Yeonpyeong Island back in 2010, killing 2 people [2 military soldiers, and 2 civilians,] and injuring 22 others [19 soldiers, 3 civilians]. More than 170 artillery shells and rockets were fired on that island by North Korea. Another example is a bit recently when North Korea had blown up the Liaison Office in 2020. It was an office meant to discuss how to reunite Korea. So they were doing good then North blew stuff up which sent their relationship back. They aren't on the best of terms. Not to mentions their tensions have been rising to the point where they both tested missiles. According to history.com, "The Korean conflict is an ongoing conflict based on the division of Korea between North Korea (Democratic People's Republic of Korea) and South Korea (Republic

of Korea), both of which claim to be the sole legitimate government of all of Korea."

→Third Reich × Soviet Union

Third Reich backstabbed The Soviet Union in 1941 and invaded them to try and kill not only their Jewish population but expand nazism. They hated each other after that and the Soviets fought against them. The nazi's actions can is denied. What they did was awful, and can't be undone. They killed millions of innocent people just because of religion. However, the Soviets actions cant be let go either. They both attacked Poland, dividing the country between them and killing their people. Not to mention, once Nazi Germany had split, the Soviet Union had taken control of East Germany. Their history isn't something you throw away like that, and in my opinion, it doesn't matter how you portray them, it won't work due to their history.

→America × North Korea

→America × China

Much like Mexico and America, North Korea, China and America don't have a good relationship, and North Korea and the United States never really did have good relations. As mentioned before about the Korean War, the United States was the main ally against both North Korea and China. The US had bombed and destroyed North Korea in an attempt to kick them off of South Korea. "Currently, the United States and China have mutual political, economic, and security interests, such as the proliferation of nuclear weapons, but there are unresolved concerns relating to the role of democracy in government in China and human rights in China." I feel as if I should say this too; the US has prohibited the use of their passports to North Korea "arguing that U.S. citizens have been subject to arrest and long-term detention for actions that would not otherwise be a cause for arrest in the United States or other countries." And, " United States released a travel warning to United States citizens, warning would-be visitors of previous encounters and dangers in North Korea." So if that doesn't change your mind, be it, but it is not allowed here.

→China × Japan

This. This should strongly go without saying. Alliances between the two have never really been good, especially within the past hundred years. I know I shouldn't use Wikipedia as a source, but according to them, "The enmity between these two countries emanated from the history of the Japanese war and the imperialism and maritime disputes in the East China Sea (Xing, 2011). Thus, as much as these two nations are close business partners, there is an undercurrent of tension, which the leaders from both sides are trying to quell." To dig a little deeper within that statement, during world war 2, Japan attacked China's southeast coast. They controlled and annexed a large chunk of their land. The Japanese killed millions of Chinese citizens and soldiers and tried claiming their land as their own. As the Truman library stated a whole lot more than I did, "Conflict in Asia began well before the official start of World War II. Seeking raw materials to fuel its growing industries, Japan invaded the Chinese province of Manchuria in 1931. By 1937 Japan controlled large sections of China, and accusations of war crimes against the Chinese became commonplace." So I strongly think these two would be Enemies, of a Love-Hate relationship at the least.

→Soviet Union × Afghanistan

If I'm being honest, I didn't know much about their relationship, so I couldn't tell you much from my understanding. However I did know they had a bad relationship due to the Soviet-Afghan War, which majorly affected Afghanistan, and I did find this which I will gladly share with you; "The Soviet Union feared the loss of its communist proxy in Afghanistan. Thus, throughout the 1980s, the Soviet Union poured in billions of dollars (US) into the war in Afghanistan, and at its peak, more than 100,000 Soviet soldiers were fighting in the country." to support my reasonings from what I had heard. I found it on understandingwar.org, which sums up the reason I won't write about them.

→Pakistan × India

Like above, I am not sure about their relations off the top of my head, however, I did find some information from National

Geographic as well as Britannica. According to National Geographic; "Relations between the two states have been defined by the violent partition of British India in 1947 which started the Kashmir conflict, and the numerous military conflicts fought between the two nations. Consequently, their relationship has been plagued by hostility and suspicion." They also stated, "The dispute between India and Pakistan over Kashmir was sparked by a fateful decision in 1947, and has resulted in decades of violence, including two wars. Since 1947, India and Pakistan have been locked in conflict over Kashmir, a majority-Muslim region in the northernmost part of India." So what's going on is no small matter. They shouldn't be romantic towards each other due to the war and the amount of stuff that had happened between them. Britannica had also stated that "These uprisings, along with internal fighting and coups within the government between the People's and Banner factions, prompted the Soviets to invade the country on the night of December 24, 1979, sending in some 30,000 troops and toppling the short-lived presidency of People's leader Hafizullah Amin."

→Argentina × the UK

Falkland, Falkland, Falkland, why must you be so difficult towards Argentina and the UK? In case you all didn't know, which the only reason you probably ship them is BECAUSE of Falkland, "On 2 April 1982, Argentinian forces invaded the British overseas territory of the Falkland Islands. Argentina had claimed sovereignty over the islands for many years and their ruling military junta did not believe that Britain would attempt to regain the islands by force." So this should go without saying. The UK and Argentina went to war in the 1970s over Falkland and had a major dispute over it, still, Argentina despises the fact the UK had taken their territory away. HOWEVER, Argentinians, as far as I've heard, have a liking towards the UK. The UK had helped them fight Spain off their land and were strong commercial allies, so in some way, I guess I can't say this is an awful ship for that reason. I still think considering Falkland when speaking about their relationship might be beneficial, however, if their people think differently that can also play a role in it.

→Russia × Ukraine

Russia and Ukraine have a history going back to 1654, however, their relationship didn't take a turn until 1917 during the October Revolution. In 1920, the Soviet Union [which consisted of Russia, Belorussia [Belarus], and the Transcaucasian Federation [Georgia, Azerbaijan, and Armenia] at the time. I'm going to start by saying Russian Empire had banned the Ukrainian Language before the Soviet Union, although I found nothing more about what happened during the Russian Empire. Later on with the Soviet Union, Ukraine bad faced the Holodomor. The Holodomor killed over 7.5 million people in Ukraine because of the starvation that went on, and it wasn't just Ukraine that the Soviet Union did that too. Kazakhstan had gone through a famine as well. But then there's Crimea, which happened in 2014. As said before, I know I shouldn't use Wikipedia as a source for this, but they stated in their article about Ukraine/ Russian relations, "Relations between the two countries have been hostile since the, followed by Russia's annexation of Crimea from Ukraine, and over Russia's backing for the separatist's fighters of the and the in that by early 2020 had killed more than 13,000 people and brought western sanctions to Russia." They also began talking about the Russo-Ukrainian war saying, "Currently, the two countries are engaged in the which started in 2014 following the Russian invasion of Crimea." "Russian masked troops invade and occupy key Crimean locations, including airports and military bases, following Putin's orders." Putin also remarked that they "must start working on returning Crimea to Russia" so what they did was no mistake and they aren't going to willing back down any time soon.

→The sunshine harem

It's not only overrated, but Spain, America and Japan all colonized the Philippines, so why do you want to make them all in love with them? It doesn't make sense to me. Plus how the Philippines is portrayed is also another thing I should talk about later on in another chapter. I don't have much of a reason to hate why these countries are bad for a relationship when it comes to the Philippines, however, I can say that there is no reason this many people are crushing on them and a lot of them had colonized or fought against them.

→Third Reich × Poland

→Third Reich × Israel

→Third Reich × France

→Third Reich × UK

Third Reich invaded Poland, France and the UK, which is quite obvious if you know WWII, and even before that with WWI. By Third Reich and Soviets attacking Poland is what started the second world war officially and then their power just spread over to other European countries. Remember D-Day? D-Day was meant to get Third Reich off of France and free their people from them. They fought each other, invaded and killed each other people. Third Reich tortured their people and nobody in Europe liked them. Especially Poland and France. Since the Third Reich has ended, the countries of Europe have made a good relationship with Germany, but they won't forget what the Third Reich did to them. The holocaust was horrible and why people ship Poland and Third Reich is far beyond me, but I won't tolerate it.

→Armenia × Azerbaijan

I don't know much about them so I mainly used a source to guide me in their relations. All I knew before this was their relationship was not good, so if any information was wrong, you can tell me. Although, onto their relations; According to medium.com, "In 2020, amidst a global pandemic, Armenia and Azerbaijan opened fire on each other, continuing their almost century-long war against one another. After World War I, the two countries came into being after the breaking up of the Transcaucasian Federation. Both of them joined the USSR, which set up a zone of ethnic Armenians inside Azerbaijan named Nagorno-Karabakh. This region has been the crux of the issues between these two countries, both of whom have laid claim on the area. Azerbaijan believes that because the territory is within its borders, they deserve to control it, while Armenia says that the area is majority Armenian and thus rightfully should join Armenia." That is what I had found.

→Greece × Turkey

Once again, I'm going to straight-up take meduim.com 's words to

explain their relationship because I didn't have much of a clue about it before. I just knew they didn't have a good history towards one another, so; "The conflict between Turkey and Greece dates back centuries to Alexander the Great and his conquest of the Persian Empire. Since then, their ideologies have clashed, which has morphed into a religious, cultural, and land war during the Ottoman reign. Several wars, resource disputes, and issues with EU membership have left a bitter taste in the mouths of both Greece and Turkey over the years." They also mentioned how in the case of Turkey, the modern republic was also formed after the end of the "Ottoman rule in World War I, where Turkey primarily fought wars against Greece and was successful in gaining enough land to create a state."

→Empire of Japan × Third Reich

This, I find, isn't Innacurate because the two were good friends and allies, but I just find it a little wrong due to the things they had done. There is absolutely no doubting Third Reich and the Japanese Empire did terrible and terrorising things. There'a no denying Third Reich had invaded their neighbours, killed, tortured, and terrorized their people, and thought antisemitism would solve all their problems. Much like there's no denying the Empire of Japan was power-hungry, invading a lot of their neighbour's in Southeast Asia and using their people like they weren't even people. Romanticising them is just weird.

→Soviet Union × America

The Cold War plays a major key in this. "However, the relationship between the two nations was a tense one. Americans had long been wary of Soviet communism and concerned about Russian leader Joseph Stalin's tyrannical rule of his own country." The cold war also involved wars such as the Korean War and Vietnamese War, which the 2 countries partnered with opposite opponents. History.com [owner of the first statement] also added that "after the war ended, these grievances ripened into an overwhelming sense of mutual distrust and enmity." [They had explained the cold war 2× better than I could, which is why I had used their words to help me.]

→Russian Empire × Alaska [yes. Yes you heard that correct]

This is just straight-up wrong. The Russian Empire sold Alaska, so this would not only be incest but paedophilia too.

→Soviet Union × Finland

Are we forgetting the Winter War was a thing now? Great, let's forget a war between two enemies, that's amazing! No, in reality, the winter war was nothing to joke about. "In August 1939, Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union agreed that Finland belonged in the Soviet Union's sphere of influence. During World War II, Finland fought on two occasions against the Soviet Union on the German side. Finland lost both wars, but the Soviet Union never occupied Finland." According to infofinland. They also mentioned how "Finland was strongly in the German sphere of influence because the Soviet Union became the biggest threat to the security of the state." Therefore, it's quite obvious that there two didn't have a good relationship, and why that's being ignored is really bothering me. Despite the friendship treaty, the winter war was something you can't just throw away and has to be taken into consideration.

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I'm going to cheat and literally just take history.com's words because they explained Pearl Harbor better than I could; "Japan's surprise attack on Pearl Harbor would drive the United States out of isolation and into World War II, a conflict that would end with Japan's surrender after the devastating nuclear bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August 1945. At first, however, the Pearl Harbor attack looked like a success for Japan." These two bombed each other. They b o m b e d each other. Get that in your head. If you do not state your ship happened when they were allies I'm going to automatically assume it happened after Pearl Harbor and WWII which makes it highly inaccurate. [Even when they were allies, as I said before, I don't think shipping a power-hungry country is a good idea and I think they would just be toxic no matter how "good" their alliance is with another country.]

→Mexico × America

I do not have much evidence to support this, however, a few of my Mexican friends have said that this relationship would be toxic towards both of them. They said that Mexicans and Americans are racist towards each other and because of that, I'm going to keep it here. Not to mention, Mexican immigrants are illegally coming across the US border, which is the reason the wall was/is being built, and I've been told that due to that, this ship can be ruled out.

→Netherlands × Indonesia

[This one is from @Hopeless_0405] "This is one of the most overrated ships and the ship itself is very toxic since it's a colonizer x colonised country ship. Netherlands literally colonised Indonesia for centuries, killed, tortured and r@ped them, the list goes on! Indonesians had to pay heavy taxes to the Dutch people just for them (the Dutch) to acknowledge their (Indonesians) declaration of independence."

→Indonesia × Malaysia

[Also from @Hopeless_0405] "Their relationship is like a sibling rivalry love-hate ish. They would fight over the most ridiculous and smallest problems. Don't get me started that some Indonesians burnt my country's flag and even hanged it upside down (it's a sign of disrespectfulness to do that to the flag of Malaysia) to trigger us Malaysians years ago. Their relationship is techincally negative-neutral."

→Communist Party of Indonesia [PKI] × Malaysian Peoples' Anti-Japanese Army [MPAJA]

[And the last one @Hopeless_0405 had said] "Don't get me started on this one. But if you don't know who they are, PKI stands for Partai Kommunis Indonesia (Communist Party of Indonesia) and MPAJA stands for Malaya People's Anti-Japanese Army (Malaya is an old country name for Malaysia). Here's a brief history of why they existed: PKI was created to drive the Dutch colonisers away from Indonesia. While for MPAJA, their sole purpose was to fight the Japanese soldiers for invading Malaya back in WW2 (there are actually more! I'm just only explaining the minority part)Shipping both communist parties are a big no no for me. Plus, Indonesians in

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→Soviet Union × Russia

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『 Modern vs Historical relationships 』

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While we're on the topic of ships and discussing why some are innacurate, I might as well bring up the importance between historical relations vs modern relations because those are both important to include when you concider shipping of any kind. The historical relationship between two countries is just as important to concider as the relationship they have now. The ships I mention in the previous chapter are all ships that don't have modernly good relations (I consider any event occurring within the last 20 years modern) or haven't tried to improve, or have yet to improve, their relationship. So any country with a strained relationship.

Two countries who were once enemies can still come together and be friends. They can still have a relationship and continue to improve it.

Historical Relations vs Modern Day Relations are 2 different things, and the biggest examples I can think of would be Britain × France, Germany × France and America × Japan since they've all had a rough history with one another but have joined hands and concider one another allies now.

We all know about the 100 years war (or are at least aware of it's existence) along with the many other brutal wars fought between France and England dating back to the middle ages. The two were deemed rivals for centuries, fighting on opposite sides for nearly everything and fighting one of the longest wars in history. Their long rivalry makes it seem like they'd never concider one another allies. Yet they now do. Taking a look at France's relationship with the United Kingdom in todays world, you'll see much improvement

from France's previous rivalry with England and Scotland. Their relationship has improved majorly since their alliance in both world wars and have continued to build a relationship since.

The things Third Reich did will never be ignored and should never be ignored, especially when it comes to the backstory of the characters involved and the relationship they have with Germany now. However with the lable of "most important allies in Europe" dangling above France and Germany's head, I feel as if it is safe to conclude that France & Germany is an okay modern day ship. The improvements the two have made since the early 20th century isn't something that should be deemed unimportant because times have changed. Do I think their history should be taken into consideration? Absolutely, but liking the two as friends or shipping them as frienss isn't bad. France and Germany would've created ties with one another and become really nice friends. They built their relationship after WWII all the way up to the "most important alliances in Europe" lable.

Something that makes me annoyed too is the cherry picking. I'm under no circumstance one to be completely against this since I have cherry picked before and its a trait that I need to work on myself. But heres what I mean by that; A ship such as France × Germany is wrong yet America × Japan is perfectly fine despite their rough history too. Japan and America weren't the only two countries to build a relationship together once WWII had ended, they aren't the only two to have a relationship prior to a specific event, lose that relationship for a bit, then regain it and they certainly aren't the only ones this applies to.

This is honestly why the SunShine harem is such a bittersweet to me for real. I don't know how to feel about it really

『 South Korea x Japan 』

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I've had like, 3 ship chapters but this ship in particular annoys me so much and I've rarely seen people say anything about it.

Look, before I begin, I got into an argument with somebody over this and I have to say, I have nothing against people's ships. Whatever you ship is all up to you and your preferences, but it is not okay to ship enemies and pretend life is all good. There is a fine line between liking a ship for its good relations and liking a ship just because their geography and common stereotypes. There is more to these nations than just what you see via kpop and anime. Stop supporting this crap.

Anyways, lets get into as to why this ship is bad now.

1. Japan Tortured Koreans.

I talked about this in the previous chapter—it was actually the first ship I ever mentioned—but because it fits here I might as well include it again. I won't go as deeply into it since I've already mentioned all this stuff.

History lesson; Japan invaded Korea in the 1590's as well. They had a war called the Injin war. In 1592 Japan invaded Korea and it is called the Imjin invasion. They trucked in 1596 only for Japan to invade them again a year later which is called the Chongyu War. In 1910, the Japan Empire attacked Korea again until 1945. During that time, Japan forced the Koreans to not speak Korean, raped them and tried wiping out all korean culture. Korea had a movement on March 1st of 1919 for indepence from Japan, which

sadly failed.

Thats not even close to it. The Japanese Empire during World War 2 especially would enslave women (many from Korea and China) and use them for their own delight. These women were called 'comfort women', defined as women (and even younger girls) forced into sexual slavery. The Japanese Army was raping teenage girls. These women were so badly abused and mistreated many commited suicide or died from their assult. I do talk a lot more about this in my chapter about the Japanese Empire, as well as some women who were previously one and have shared their stories.

2. Japan never apologized to Korea.

Somebody wanted to add this so Here it is; Japan has never apologized to Korea for what they had done. Neither Korea. Neither Korea, nor China, nor Philippines nor anybody. There isn't much to talk about with this because it's a simple statement of "they hadn't apologized" and there isn't much to overlap on this. Simply just keep in mind they've never admitted or formally apologized even with evidence of their crimes. A few Japanese politicians have admitted and apologised to these crimes—Do not think everybody is nieve or ignorant—though a formal apology has never officially been stated.

3. They're still mad at each other for these reasons.

Because of the two reasons stated above, neither countries are really friends and their people have stated their dislike for this ship. Korea doesn't forgive Japan for what they've done to them in the past and continue to ignore, and they have the right to be aggervated. While North Korea and Japan have discussed making a diplomatic relationship, South Korea and Japan are still pointing fingers at each other and have a very strained relationship and that's fine. Not everything will be sunshine and rainbows, there's conflicts, there's fights, and there's enemies.

『 Some ships can't work because their age would never correspond 』

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This one sparked a lot of controversy the last time I posted this, so I'll say this is more opinion based than anything else. You can disagree or whatever but my opinions about this stands and there are just some ships I believe can't work before of the nations age differences.

Let's take a country like the United States.

The United States independence 4 July 1776, yet again is being shipped with a country like Russia who only gained independence in 1991. That's a 215 year age gap there just imagine the age gap in them with their human forms or if you do do it like their ages are however old their countries are then there's still a huge age gap. It would seem weird to he reguardless of what you'd do.

Now, I get some do it by settlement dates. Therefore Russia would be as old as the pre-9th century and the United States would be as old as 1607 when Europeans officially settled in Jamestown, Virginia. Still a large gap. Although when considering Indigenous peoples as the settlement, it would still be older than Russia as Indigenous peoples in the US are rumoured to have been settled in that land over 15,000 years ago.

But if we do it by when they were descovered, Russia was descovered in 862 while the United States was "discovered" by the

Europeans in 1492. Still a major gap.

I just cannot see them ever having a corresponding age, and it's super weird to me. Even if this ship wasn't overrated and weird enough, imagine dating somebody three times your age. It's so weird and icky, just make them have a parent-child relationship or a mentor-mentee or something at that point.

So then it comes to the fine question of should countries like the United States, Ethiopia, San Marino, and Egypt be shipped because they have such an age gap between other countries?

Well, it's all debatable and how you look at it.

How your age system is I can't determine or tell, but when it comes to a point where two countries ages don't ever correspond or connect no matter which way you look, why force it? There are plenty of other relationships becides romantic ones and a ship can still be cute without the need of a romantic connection.

『 LGBTQ+ misinformation and inaccuracy 』

I need to discuss this topic. At this rate, it can't go ignored—the inaccurate representation of LGBTQ+ characters is so bad.

1 [Un/One/Uno] - Not every country supports the LGBTQIA+ community

In Yemen, Iran, Brunei, Mauritania, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Afghanistan, Somalia, Sudan, UAE, and Pakistan, people can be discriminated against and possibly killed for being gay or a part of the LGBTQIA+ community. There's countries that criminalise homosexuality and have punishments for it, I know, "shocker". But the countries I mention above aren't exatly the country's II want to focus on—while I do think it's an issue that needs improvement and the discrimination some people face are terrible, I don't think these characters have an issue when it comes to the fandom—What I am going to talk about are more is Russia, Malaysia, and North Korea's representation since those are the countries I think have the most popularity yet the most inaccuracies.

To begin with; Russia is a very homophobic country, and often, the people there who are a part of the community face many struggles and discrimination there if they come out are even rumoured to be. The government has a "Gay Propaganda Law" which Putin had signed the law in 2013 that had "been used to shut down websites that provide valuable information and services to teens across Russia and to bar LGBT support groups from working with youth." Basically, it bans exposure of the LGBTQIA+ community to kids.

Malaysia on the other hand is seen as a straight couple more often than Russia is, however, I do see them being in a gay relationship with either Indonesia, Singapore, or North Korea often too so I'm going to still mention them. Being homosexual could lend you maximum of 20 years in prison along with fines, and even in some cases, deportation. Execution and those in the community being forced into conversion therapy are also a punishment too, however, I do not think it is very commonly enforced. Malaysia has also banned anybody member of the community from appearing in state-controlled media in 1994, and in 2021 the prime minister at the time (Ahmad Marzuk Shaary) even proposed stricter punishments as he didnt feel they were harsh enough. As close as the year 2022, police raided a part hosted by members of the community and 20 cross dresses were reported arrested. Their Navy doesn't accept homosexuals, homosexual characters in movies can only be allowed in if they die, a gay bar was raided by police, a Transgender woman was beaten- they arent an LGBTQIA+ safe zone at all so having them be open to a homosexual relationship isn't accurate.

North Korea is another country I see involved in homosexual relationships too, often with China, Russia, the United States, Vietnam, or Canada. While laws aren't in place and the country has not spoken too much about it's LGBTQ members they also aren't the most supportive nation and discrimination is still a concern there. Legal gender recognition isn't possible in the country and they denied they have any acts of consensual sexual homosexuality occuring. So as far as being in a homosexual relationship, I'd say it's okay and not the worst but being open about it or sharing it with anybody becides his partner is where the main issue lies.

And South Korea. Sweet, old South Korea also has some laws against the LGBTQIA+ community and nobody ever talks about that. Overall, the topic is pretty mixed, as it's legal to be homosexual and get gender recognition surgery, but how it's respected and reacted to is another story. The community is discriminated against and sometimes mocked in South Korea. Gay couples aren't recodnized either and public opinion is very mixed based on a 2022 survey. Their first Transgender soldier was let go and committed suicide not too long later after her resignation back

in 2021 (Rest in Peace Byun Hee-soo.) When I'd originally written this 2 years ago (2021), the laws were a lot stricter, the information was a lot different, the acceptance wasn't as wide so a lot has changed since. In fact, in 2022 same-sex relations was finally legalised and in 2023 the government announced same-sex couples would recieve the same benefits as straight couples. So that being added, South Korea would make for a pretty good improvement character, or somebody to express improvement if youre looking for a coming of age story. They still are a character in improvement, slowly working their way towards acceptance and being more open to the community but they have improved a lot in only a few years.

The misconception every country is just okay with the community is very incorrect and a lot of the characters people ship homosexually, like Russia and North Korea, aren't okay with it in real life.

And believe me I've heard the usage of "people vs government" many many times and it gets thrown around very frequently, but when it comes to a government making something illegal and being very open to their hatred for it by even threatening imprisonment, deportation, forced therapy, or possibly murder at what point do we finally break the "government vs people" rule and conclude some things can't be changed?

2 [two/Deux/dos] - Countries forcing other countries to be homosexual is so wrong

Let me say this; Making America forced Russia to be gay with him is downright rude. You can't be doing this, it is not right. As mentioned above, Russia is a homophobic country. Even the United States has major parts of it contributing to homophobia, so forcing America on Russia is highly offensive towards those in Russia and even in the US. That being said, even if homophobia wasn't on the picture, still forcing homosexuality onto other people—whether they be fictonal or not—and doing things that explicitly makes them uncomfortable/is illegal is so mean and unfunny.

3 [three/Trois/tres] - Soft bottoms, cruel tops [?].

For some more context for new viewers, "bottoms" and "tops" are

sexual terms so if you're uninterested or young you can skip.

Soft bottoms and standoff tops are a thing, however, it's typically stereotypically portrayed in a, well, weird way? As in, every bottom is that annoying, "cute", a short person while the tops are tuff and mean [hint; Russia and America], and I want to say how not every relationship, Top, Bottom, Switch, etc, are like that and have to be like that. There are soft tops, tuff bottoms, switches are a thing, there isn't just the stereotypical tops and bottoms. There can be Female tops, male bottoms, Non-Binary tops and bottoms genderfluid, etc.

4 [four/quatre/cuatro] - Fetishism.

I feel like lately, this isn't much of a problem [a lot of books have been discontinued/completed and have been replaced with a lot of other "better" books], however back in its peak in May, you could definitely see the "obsession" others had with MLM. Straight couples were often discriminated against or forgotten because the only thing people wanted was gay relationships. Lesbian couples, as well as enby relationships, were eigenvalues forgotten or refused to be mentioned by others because of the obsession for MLM couples. And it's just creepy and majorly uncomfortable for gay couples to have to see or listen to. [mlm is Male love Male, btw]

I. Hate. UwU. Short. Gay. North. Korea. It's. So. Inaccurate. And. Wrong. To. Make. North. Korea. Openly. Gay. Just thought I would get this out there.

Well, this is my rant for the night.

『 Sources 』

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talked about homosexuality in North Korea, or the DPRK, and South Korea (Republic of Korea). The organizations itself is intended to "ensure human rights for LGBTIQ everywhere through advocy..." writing their articles and reports based on documentation, accountability, collaboration, and impact.

hrw.org "South Korea Court Recognizes Equal Benefits for Same-Sex Couple" ; article title is self explanatory, but it just talks about the recognition of same sex couples.

『 Alaska ships are weird lol 』

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The art is really good, but the ships aren't. There's quite a few problems with them.

I have to say before I go on with this, I have seen one of these artists admit that this was wrong of them to do so please don't think people who draw stuff like this will forever be nieve of their doings or never grow to understand. People will grow and within that process of growth they will understand more about the affects of their actions and develop. Please do not harass these people for their past behaviours as they were just children who didn't understand or think any better. And this goes out to anybody who may have made cringe or even questionable content in the past, most of them will grow. Thank you.

Anyway, let's talk about why these are bad now though so people actually understand why the hell this wasn't okay; [This part was added as of 12/6/21]

《 ALASKA × AMERICA [United States] 》

→ Alaska is a state in the United States, and I know headcanons exist, I mean just look at how defensive I get towards mind, but regardless, they would be related in some way. Alaska was sold to the US from Russian Empire [which will take us to the next ship], so America would either be the step-parent, mother, sibling, aunt, whatever you think of towards Alaska. Speaking that, this ship

would either be incest, or pedophilia, or if you think of all the states as being apart of America, selfcest. The states make up the US, that's why it's called the United States, so shipping them is just wrong.

《 RUSSIAN EMPIRE × ALASKA 》

→ Russian Empire *sold* Alaska to the US in the 1860's. This honestly goes without saying. Russians did also hold some Ununga People as slaves and forced them to hunt fur-bearing marines animals for them. While I don't think slavery was big in Alaska [meaning, Russians keeping Native Alaskans as slaves], there were still a few which can't be unnoticed.

《 SOVIET UNION × ALASKA 》

→ Alaska was apart of the US long before the Soviet Union was formed. Like, 1922 compared to 1867. And, if you see Soviet as the daughter of Russia Empire, then technically it would be incest. But also, my theory could be debunked debating on whether you see Alaska and Russian America as the same person. Because, the Soviet Union formed in 1922 and Alaska became a state in 1959. So they existed together for 37 years, but still, America and The Soviet Union were at war together during the time Alaska became a state[12 years after Alaska became an official state], so if you do make Alaska and Russian America 2 different people, then wouldn't Alaska technically grow up knowing her country was at war with Soviet? Wouldn't she grow up thinking Soviet was bad due to that?

→ But these all depend on headcanons. I think for a fact Alaska × America wouldn't work due to Alaska literally being a state in the US, but it all depends on how you view it. If you do ship these, I will respect you, but please do not ask me to write it and please keep it to yourself. Thet make me very uncomfortable.

『 How the fandom views characters [UPDATED] 』

Hey! Disclaimer! Because I'm going to write a whole chapter on China and North Korea, and I already have a chapter for Russia & Germany, I did not exclude them here! I added their stereotypes but I did not write about them! The countries I do talk about are Poland, the Philippines, the United States, Italy, Japan, South Korea, Romania, Ukraine and the United Kingdom.

Not only, but I do know these types of stereotypes aren't that huge of an issue anymore. Stereotypes do exist but it isn't a huge issue for this fandom anymore so this chapter is purely made just to give ideas out for designs and still for those who struggle with stereotyping/designing! Hope you understand!

Also! Any comment created before 14 August 2022 is old! A lot of them are still relevant to this topic but others may not be so don't be alarmed if a comment seems out of place. I just republished this and didn't created a new chapter since I liked the comments of some people and wanted to keep them.

Some perfect examples, however;

》 Poland; perfect Angel and the 'softy'

》 Philippines; literally has every character have a crush on them

》 United States: "America," loud, obnoxious yet depressed

》 Italy: pizza/pasta crazy

》 Japan: Neko girl, literally like the only girl in the fandom

》 South Korea: k-pop

》 North Korea: nukes

》 China: bad dude

》 Germany: workaholic

》 Russia; Vodka, Vodka, & Vodka

》 Ukraine; is weak for some reason and always needs Canada to help her.

》 UK; homophobic for some odd reason and super obsessed with tea

》 Romania: vampire person

We need to spice things up a bit.

[Facts/Ideas on Poland;]

➡ Poland has the world's biggest castle. Its called The Castle of Teutonic Order in Malbork (Zamek w Malborku) located in Malbork, Poland and was built during the 13th century (1200's). It's a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Maybe a way to incorporate this with Poland could be their interest in studying castles or visiting them as a hobby. It doesn't need to be their whole personality but it's a pretty cool thing to study.

➡ There are a lot of animals in Poland. They're home to the endangered European bison and are typically found in Białowieża Primeval Forest in Poland for example. I don't really know how you can incorporate this in the CH universe other than giving him bison horns and a tail but I found it interesting.

➡ Poland ranks 15 wid wide in average heights (180.69 for men and 165.78 for women) and talking geographically they rank 8 in Europe (excluding Russia), so they wouldn't really be on the shorter end.

➡ They. Are. Homophobic. Stop. Making. Them. Openly. Gay. I can't express enough how much I hate openly LGBTQ+ Poland omfg. They have one of the worst LGBTQ+ rights in all of Europe. While it's legal, it isn't easy for people apart of the community to live there and they face challenges.

➡ They celebrate Zaduski (All Souls Day). On November 2nd they have an annual holiday meant to pay respect to their late friends or relatives. They gather at their late ones' graves to honour them, it's like a Day of the Dead celebration. They also wish people on their birthday 100 years of good luck, not just 1, so yeah.

[Facts/Ideas for the Philippines;]

➡ Another nation with a struggling LGBTQ+ community. Discrimination still remains even after an attempt to promote the rights, and acceptance of the community. When people are trying to make it a better place for the community, I feel making the Philippines a part of it isn't that bad or even as offensive as other nations but still, if you do make them a part of it, maybe mention the promotions and such too?

➡ They have 3 of the world's largest malls. I don't know what you'll do with this information but hey, maybe they could like shopping.

➡ They have the oldest professional basketball leagues in Asia and the first one professional league there too. It's second, next to the NBA. So I feel like they would be a basketball player on the side or be really good at it but not exactly play it much. I don't know, I can just imagine them being associated with it in some way.

➡ Nurse basketball player anybody? Really, the Philippines has the world's largest supply of nurses with over 11 million Filipinos working overseas and 25% of those people working in the medical field. Imagine them being a nurse on the weekdays and a basketball

player on the weekends. Seems neat to me.

➡ Boxing symbolises passion! Gee would they be one active nation! Bro imagine having a buff nurse who plays basketball and boxes?! No, in all honesty, you could choose between any of these career paths and have it be equally as interesting. The Philippines could be a boxer, or a nurse, or a basketball player and it'll be just as interesting.

[Facts/Ideas for the United States;]

➡ They're like a mixing pot of different Ethnicities and Nationalities but Native Americans were and still are important. Look, I don't like how Native Americans aren't credited enough. A lot of US states are named after native languages like Connecticut (Algonquian word for 'Land on the Long tidal River,' & Utah originating from the Native Group Ute (meaning People of the Mountains.') Indigenous groups lived in North America since 12,000 BCE but they aren't recognised. This can go for Canada too, but I feel like if you're going to represent the people

➡ So, uhm, apparently they call football 'soccer' in the US so yeah. Don't know why, but they do. They like sports and take things like football, basketball, baseball, and football competitions seriously. I heard they started an earthquake in Baton Rouge Louisiana once after a college football game. Fun times.

➡ I think the LGBTQ+ community is a weird topic in the US. Laws and discrimination vary between different states so I don't know what to say about this.

➡ I'm so guilty of this but literally no other country within the America's calls the US 'America' so it probably isn't the *most* accurate to say. It could be called Union I suppose, or just United States but there are already 2 continents called "America" so typically that term refers to the continents and not the US.

➡ As far as I know, they speak over 300 languages in the US and depending on where you live (New England, the South, Pacific Islands, etc) there's a bunch of cultural diversity and laws so I can only guess they would be a very diverse person? Possibly

celebrating multiple different holidays (for example; Chinese New Year. It's not a federal holiday in the US, but there are almost 4 million Chinese residents in the US and almost 20 million Asian residents total. When I read into Chinese New Year in the US, it is a fairly big deal to those Asian residents, so it isn't exactly fair to exclude those people just because it isn't a federal holiday.)

[Facts/Ideas for Italy;]

➡ I absolutely love Italy so much, I could talk about them for hours. But one interesting thing about them has got to be their older and even ancient historical sites. The Colosseum? 1000% recommended going to see it and learning about its history of it, it is beautiful but has such a dark backstory. The Pantheon saw this too also 1000% recommended seeing it. It's beautiful there.

➡ 13 of Shakespeare's plays are set in Italy, so an idea could be an interest in seeing plays. It doesn't need to be an obsession of course, but maybe Italy could prefer Shakespeare's writing style or reads the books he set in Italy. Pinocchio was also first published in an Italian Newspaper so what if they enjoyed reading fairytales too?

➡ Geographically, Italy has 3 of Europe's most active volcanos. In fact, Mount Etna erupted last year in Sicily. I can give an idea for this Italy could have lava red streaks in their hair to signify these volcanos and their eruptions. They could gain another streak if one erupts or just be born with it!

➡ Italy does have the best food though, so making them a chef isn't inaccurate at all, but don't stereotypically make them overly obsessed with just one flavour/special of pizza and pasta. There are many, many different ways to top and style pasta with as well as Pizza. Foods like risotto, and gelato originated in Italy so they could have an interest in making those dishes too.

➡ There's. More. To. Their. History. Than. World. War. One. And. Two. For example; the Roman Empire. Ancient Rome, the Roman Republic, Ostrogothic Kingdom, and the Byzantine Empire to name a few. They have their fair share of war and colonization!

[Facts/Ideas for Japan]

➡ Taking a nap at work is actually okay in Japan. So yeah, taking a nap on your job signifies hard work. I don't know what you can do with this information, but maybe UN wouldn't be as harsh to Japan if they fell asleep during a meeting because it's actually "good" where they are from.

➡ Japan is number 1 for tech expertise so an idea could be an interest for technology. Maybe they're a tech nerd or not even a nerd but just super good at figuring out technical problems and solving them. Maybe they make robots for a living or fix things.

➡ According to the OECD, Japan ranks 10 in the most stressful countries so they'd probably be a pretty stressful person no matter their job. Maybe they procrastinate a lot due to their stress or spend a lot of time trying different relievers.

➡ In 2018, Japan had the largest fish market. It was called the Tsukiji Fish Market, and it was the largest fish and seafood market in the world. Idea; Japan can like fish and be a fan of seafood. Maybe not just sushi but different varieties of fish like tuna too.

➡ Over 80% of Japan is covered in mountains. Small person headcanon for this one; My Japan has Keratosis pilaris, a skin condition that leaves rough patches and acne-like bumps on the skin. Because of this, most of his body (besides private areas) has bumps and some occasional rashes too. So yeah, I got that idea from the heavily mountainous areas of Japan.

[Facts/Ideas for South Korea]

➡ Most stressed country, one of the highest work hours, and 3rd in suicide rates. May I say more? No, well I will. Work isn't taken lightly in South Korea, nor is their education system. South Korea I don't think would be too into kpop and such because I'd assume they'd take work more seriously. Maybe in their free time, but when being a countryhumans is pretty hard, I don't know how much time they'd have for it.

➡ South Korea also has mandatory military service for any male 18-35, so if you're SK is a Cis Male, you know where he's going.

➡ Also a very high-tech nation, actually they rank 3 so they'd also be like a tech nerd or super good with technology. They actually created the infection control robot and Samsung so yeah.

➡ They are heavy-ass drinkers there's no denying that. South Korea in the CH universe would most likely be a heavy drinkers or enjoy a whole lot of drinks whenever they get their hands on any.

➡ No matter the gender or sex, they like makeup. South Korea is the makeup capital of the world. Plastic Surgery is also super common there too.

[Facts/Ideas for Romania]

➡ I heard they liked drinking and drink 12 litres a year. Romania would probably be somebody who enjoys a good shot of liquor or a bottle of beer.

➡ Bucharest has one of the world's prettiest book shops so possibly Romania would like to read or just hang out around there.OH! And Evening Star was written by a Romanian author so I've always had a personal headcanon she likes romantic love poems!

➡ Romania was the first country in Europe to Introduce Street lights, light up their castle entirely through an electrical current, and introduce horse-drawn tams so I view them to be a fairly smart person.

➡ Ever read the book I Must Betray You by Ruta Sepetys? Well, it gives a lot of good information about communist Romania and how the people were treated during that time so I recommend it! Even the first chapter gives quite a bit of info about it! That being said, however, communist Romania was definitely not a good time in history for the country. There's a lot that went into it, for example; it led to the Romanian revolution in 1989, and an interesting topic to look into!

➡ I read somewhere that Romanians don't typically open up easily and are reserved people. I can't say that's 100% true for I've never been there myself but just as a personality idea in the meantime?

[Facts/Ideas for Ukraine]

➡ Forget the conflict for a moment and can I just say how I say a lot that this nation is known for ghost towns and this inspired me so much on making a unique job for them! Pripyat is considered a ghost town in Ukraine which was abandoned after the Chornobyl explosion. Before everybody left it had a population of over 40,000 people in it!

➡ Man, these people can put up a fight. They aren't backing down easily and I don't understand why even before the conflict people portrayed them as weak. Their history is long and very brutal between their colonizations but they never gave up on their nation or for that matter let themselves be lost by Russia.

➡ The yellow on their flag stands for good harvest so maybe Ukraine is optimistic about growing stuff in their backyard. Maybe they have a garden at home or take care of one in the UN Buildings. They're so the largest producer of sunflower seeds so the whole sunflower thing isn't that immaculate either

➡ It was Ukraine's idea to dye eggs for ester so an idea for Ukraine could be their liking of colouring eggs and maybe even doing it as a hobby. Maybe they're good at art and neat with lines and shapes.

➡ Ukraine also ranks 11 for average height (180.98 for men and 166.62 for women) and they're the second biggest country in Europe so they wouldn't be as short as people depict them to be. For example; Italy is typically shown to be taller than Ukraine is, though Italy in real life is more mid on the height chart and twice as small as Ukraine in real life.

[Facts/Ideas for the UK]

➡ They have a pride parade, people! A pride parade and had the 14th biggest pride parade in 2019 with over 1,500,000 organizers.

➡ Tea is a popular drink in the UK, and an estimated 165 million cups of tea are consumed every day in the UK alone. That being said, having the UK like tea is no big deal, it just comes to the fine

line of how obsessed they are. People there don't hit people for tea or for that matter, scold somebody for taking theirs so I've never understood why people portrayed the UK like this-

➡ I don't know why this has always annoyed me, but Australia, the US, Canada and New Zealand are not the only countries the UK colonized and still has historical/modern relations with. I argued with somebody about this once and they told me those 4 are their only "children" because the UK remained in contact with them after their colonization and I don't typically say this but that's bullshit. eSwatini was colonized by the UK in 1877 up until 1968, and after their independence, the UK and eSwatini have High Commissions in each other's capitals. So, no, it isn't like the UK gave a country independence and was like "Okay, bye" to every country besides those 4, there are others too.

➡ Golf was invented in Scotland, so if you don't personify the British Isles, the UK could be a golf fan. (If you do personify them though, I guess they could still be a golf fan, just more watching Scotland play it than playing it themselves? They don't even need to be good at it, they can just like playing for fun!)

➡ London is one of the rudest cities in the world (ranking 2 in 2020), so giving the UK an attitude does make sense. I don't think being overly mean or rude towards their fellow neighbours or strangers is the most accurate (because they are open towards other religions and the LGBTQIA+ community) but they'd definitely have some attitude stored up or some snappy comebacks saved.

⌜ Some People's Headcanons

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Okay, well, here is what I mean because I know the title makes it seem like I'm bashing other for no reason but this is what I mean by that;

If Russian Empire is the mother of USSR, which is typically how people represent it.

America and Russian Empire have a child or America adopts a child from the Russian Empire (Alaska typically, sometimes referred to as Russian America, though since that's what it was during the exchange)

USSR is the father of Russia,

Yet if the person who has this headcanon makes Russia and America a couple then... yeah, its just weird. Imagine the same person who had a child with your grandmother is back to date you– actually, don't even go there.

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And Neko Nazi.

Hitler had a fear of cats.

And this is Third Reich you're making a cat.

Like, some common sense. For one, why make a country who's responsible for millions of innocent deaths a *cat,* there's no logical reason to, and is the leader of the nation had a fear of cats image how terrified he'd be of his own representive. He'd probably kick him out and get a new one lmao

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Some people make North Korea afraid of bombs. I personally don't see how this would make sense—there's a difference between wanting to break inaccurate stereotypes by doing something unique and down-right ignoring an important quality of a country to do something unique. In this case, North Korea is heavily revolved around the ideas of missiles and bombs. They're no stranger to it, its no stranger to the world because the DPRK makes headlines quite often for setting off missiles above their neighbouring countries. They never really were strangers to it since they were introduced to bombs prior to independence when Imperial Japan was nuked, and they continue to express their love for that sort of stuff through their announcements about creating more and consistent testings. Even their history (as I'd mentioned a little before) is heavily missile based, in both terms they create, and abuse the power of bombs (and having ties with/supporting nations with nuclear weapons, such as Russia, China, and India) and even had been bombed in the past. They even did a missle test as recent as 2023. The concept of North Korea having a phobia of it is bizarre to me?

Even if North Korea represents its people, which I see people make this claim very very often and I have no issues with it, wouldn't they just be used to it? Possibly even tired of hearing about it? Or do they fear missles too and that's where this comes from? For those who do this, I'd love for you to drop some sources on how North Koreans feel on missles and testings, because I haven't been able to find any and I'm pretty curious about it.

One thing I also want to point out is during the Korean War where North Korea was bombed heavily in an attempt to defeat them. Taking that into consideration, I can see the point of view North Korea would be traumatised and knowing how their nation is now, understanding he cannot risk taking another bomb to his nation therefore fearing it happening it again. I'm open to that idea, however I'd like to hear how you intertwine that with their relation with nuclear weapons now. Did they overcome their fear by becoming more revolved around nuclear weapons? Did they improve as their nation did? Do they secretly fear missles and just don't say anything? How do you do it?

It's hard to intertwin a country's history with their modern selves

because of how different they may be, so I am curious about how some people do it or whether they do it at all (excluding some historical events or excluding some modern events so they don't overshadow specific events in a particular era.)

『 The 'countryhumans react' videos 』

[This was edited starting 23/5/21, so any comment before this is old.]

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Dont start with the "all gacha is bad" thing because it's s not. I have nothing against Gacha-Life/Gacha-Club. This chapters specify deaigned to speak about my concerns about the countryhumans react vidoes and just some things that annoy me.

1 [Un/One] . Character designs

The character designs just seem sloppy to me. They dont look like much effort is given in them. And dont get me wrong, I really do like the designs and effort some people put into it, but most of the time the only thing different is the hair and the outfits are full of stereotype. Japan is the biggest example. They're always in a school girl uniform with cat ears and a tail. Not to mention always the shipper. I wish, as I've said before, more people expanded with their countries and

2 [Deux/Two] . The United States is VERY emotinal

I'm not saying people can't be emotional, because it is okay to cry and express your emotions in however way you feel comfortable. It's fine to show emotions, it's okay to cry, and ita okay to react to triggers. But what bothers me is how easily America just starts

sobbing. Especially compared to other countries who are also forced to sit there and rewatch their traumas in the form of a meme. I know the US has gone through some rough history as well as a traumatic past, but so has every country that has ever existed. No country has had perfect history, with wants comes fights so I wish that other countries would show emotions too when a meme of their country pops up, because as I said, it's okay to show emotions and it's normal to do so.

The United States is a lot tougher than some of y'all make him out to be. He's handled some situations a lot better than he's shown and much more independent than depicted. He isn't perfect, he'll be upset and he will cry, but why make him so overly emotional he can't see a single meme of his history without sobbing in Russia's arms?

3 [trois/three] . Everybody react the same.

Humans are different. Shocker, I know. How you respond to a trigger will be different from your neighbours, or strangers, or parents, or friends, or anybody.

They may not be vocal about their triggers or they may not feel comfortable and want to leave. They may cry, may feel uncomfortable crying and not do it in front of the others, hide or look for closure. They may not react at all.

So having every countryhuman react the same way but then have just one country be different (and quite frankly be the only country to even show emotions throughout the entire video) is really boring and doesn't make people want to continue watching because theres nothing more to watch. Sharing some uniqueness with all your characters, giving them each differences in terms of how you present their emotions and show how they all respond to things will make your video so much better and more interesting.

Its fine to focus more on the emotions of one character more than others too if you're very involved with that character or relate to them. There's nothing wrong with having a favourite or comfort character because everybody does one way or another. But don't exclude or pretend nobody else has emotions becides your favourite

either.

Triggers happen to everybody, not one country, and not one feeling will be felt when a trigger is set off.

4 [Quatre/Four]. The way some people show Third Reich.

This goes without saying. Some make her a femboy with cat ears and thats not okay to do. Making somebody who killed millions of innocent people like that isn't okay.

5 [cinq/four]. Ships.

Japan x South Korea, Russia x America and Nazi x Soviet Union seem to be the 3 most popular ones. I have explained what's wrong with them in my oneshots so I'm just going to copy-&-paste what I wrote there and add it here.

[Japan × South Korea] History lesson; Japan invaded Korea in the 1590's as well. They had a war called the Injin war. In 1592 Japan invaded Korea and it is called the Imjin invasion. They trucked in 1596 only for Japan to invade them again a year later which is called the Chongyu War. In 1910, the Japan Empire attacked Korea again until 1945. During that time, Japan forced the Koreans to not speak Korean, raped them and tried wiping out all korean culture. Korea had a movement on March 1st of 1919 for indepence from Japan, which sadly failed. Nobody seems to think about the fact on how Korea doesnt forgive Japan either. And I believe they refuse to admit war crimes towards each other. While North Korea and Japan has discussed making a diplomatic relationship, South Korea and Japan are still pointing fingers at each other and blaming each other for things. According to the BBC news article, "At the centre is South Korea's demands that Japan pay what they consider to be appropriate reparations for atrocities committed during the Japanese occupation of the Korean peninsula from 1910 to 1945, particularly the use of forced labour." So they haven't forgiven them, and at this point, it isnt going to happen.

[America × Russia] RusAme is already a very popular ship as is it. It's popular enough to the point where I just dont care, but Russia and America does have a strained relationship. It's a bitter-sweet.

They have diplomatic relations, but then NATO bombed Yugoslavia in 1999 which did place a huge stone in their relationship.

[Soviet Union × Third Reich] Third Reich backstabbed The Soviet Union in 1941 and invaded them to try and kill not only their Jewish population but expand nazism. They hated each other after that and the Soviets fought agaist them. The nazi's actions cant be denied. What they did was awful, and can't be undone. They killed millions of innocent people just because of religion. However, the Soviet's actions cant be let go either. They both attacked Poland, dividing the country between them and killing their people. It isn't something you throw away like that.

6 [six] . People focus too much on one country

As I've said before, expand with your countries and spice things up! Maybe I'm just saying that because I'm not able to stay focused on one thing for too long, but expand and see what else you can experiment with! It would be awesome to see some African countries or even countries like Bangladesh and Nepal pop up!

| America is straight up gay |

[Edited as of 25/6/21]

I don't understand why America is just straight up gay. And I have nothing against the LGBTQIP2SAA+ community and support them all, but having America be stereotyped to be nothing but gay is incorrect in both the countryhumans and the LGBTQIP2SAA+ community. Gay people don't force others to be gay with them, as America always does to Russia. Russia is homophobic, so basically America would be forcing a homophobic person to try and magically become gay for him. They don't force people into a pride blanket. If anything, it would be harassment if they tried doing that, because as Russia is for America, forcing somebody who is homophobic into a pride blanket it trying to force them to do something they feel uncomfortable with.

Russia is a homophobic country, so in the countryhumans fandom, she wouldn't be openly gay and would probably pinch or make fun of America for being so open about it. She would probably despise America for being apart of the community, and if America tried to wrap her in a pride blanket, she would most likely kick him away than just let him do it.

But America is an LGBTQIP2SAA+ safe country, so making America gay isnt an offensive thing to do. It's just how he's portrayed as it, or how the Countryhumans fandom seems to potray the gay community.

| Innocent wattpaders being put on r/countryhumanscringe |

[Just slightly edited starting 13/6/21]

- This when I wrote it was a rant, not an actual problem, so don't take it as a "new" problem we're facing.

There's one specific person who keeps putting innocent wattpaders/ artists on the r/countryhumanscringe subreddit for no particular reason. No matter what they do, they're doing something wrong. And the subreddit has told that person to stop, but I figured it was just something I should include.

@/Rustypetals [I'm not tagging] was put on r/countryhumanscringe for being a hypocrite a month ago or so. Apparently, the person who posted it said, that Mango doesn't like sexualizing countries, then sexualize them by putting them in a bikini.

First of all; Bikini's aren't sexualizing. It's a bathing suit. So wearing a bathing suit that people in real life wear is now sexualizing when it's a drawing of a countryhuman. People who way wearing a bikini is sexualizing themselves gets me so annoyed. In real life, or in this fandom. It's a bathing suit, designed so you can swim and be in the water.

Second of all; It was a DTIYS, so Mango wasn't the only person to draw that picture. Many other's did as well, so their basically pin pointing Mango down and making her take the blame. Every else drew amazing as well!

Then, @/Ottorlucy [once again not going to tag] was put on, and nobody even knows why. There's no explanation at to *why* they were put on that subreddit. They were just there.

| We really shouldn't refur to the Soviet Union as Russia |

Hear me out, I know the Soviet Union was technically Russia, but it was also Ukraine, Georgia, Belarus, Kazackstan, Moldova, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Turkmenistan. *(Edited so now the Soviet States are written in English]*

Anyways, so yes, it was Russia, but it was 14 other countries as well, so saying "The cold war was the United States vs Russia", or "Russia tried to crush us" when referring to the cold war, is technically wrong?

| Why is Africa so invisible? |

[Edited as of 6/7/21]

Why is Africa never mentioned in countryhumans? It's a beautiful continent with beautiful flag and culture, why does nobody seem to care for it? I don't understand, and personally, I wish Africa got the attention it de deserved.

I'm currently studing South Africa and Madagascar and I love them so much! They're absolutely amazing and straight up awesome. I really wish they got more attention, and seeing them being included in more books or fanart would be nothing but amazing. Seeing any african country in books of fanart would be nothing but amazing!

Africa is a continent.

Pay attention to it.

| "Ching Chong" isn't "cute" it's offensive. |

↠let's talk about ching chong.

Fuck the nickname. It's so stupid.

Ching chong is offensive. Its's disrespectful and downright mean. Ching chong is an offensive term for asians. It's mainly used to mock them, and its seemingly going mainly to the Chinese.

And, although it's not as bad as it used to, people still in real life and in a lot of CountryHumans roupChat books books refur to China as 'ching chong' and I just find it so dumb people fine that funny. Labeling a country as sometime offensive just isn't it, Mate.

| Expand with your countries! |

[Edited as of 13/6/21]

We all have a favorite countryhuman. And yes, yes I do understand that because I do to! But one thing I notice about having favorites in really any fandom is when it comes to having a favorite and blocking everything out, and only focus on that one character. Nobody else gets love, nobody gets attention, nobody else is mentioned, it's just that one character. And that, that is what annoys me.

A book labled 'countryhumans oneshots' but only has The Philippines or only has America gets me a bit annoyed because it's not countryhumans, it's one specific countryhuman. It's not expanding further with what other countries have, or expand more with what others are like.

Yes, you're going to say "nobody is making you read them" thanks captain obvious. Nobody *is* making me read them, but if I find a countryhumans oneshots book, I get excited to see what they have in store, but it's all just one thing, one country, one plot, and it doesn't expand with other personalities, it doesn't expand with what other cultures have or what other countries have. It sticks to one thing, which for me, tends to get boring.

I've seen that favorites tend to get defensive. I've seen this mainly with badly designed characters. If they make Third Reich an 'uwu femboy', then get angry when other say it's wrong. Or, make Japan all anime and say "it's not harming anybody" well, yeah, it's not, but it's also not expanding with the culture Japan has and it's using a stereotype. And seriously, I have a comfort character and now in a hypocrite because she's "tO nIcE" and I should find another way to comfort myself, but you're allowed to have your character have everybody wrapped around their finger and be the center of it all?

"No country is innocent" is something that I did say, so maybe I am a little hypocriteal when it comes to how kind she is, but the "find another way to comfort yourself" thing is crossing the line.

But in conclusion, expand! Go visit Africa, even some of the Oceania countries are forgotten too! Get out of your comfort zone and look deeper and in the cracks of this fandom! There over 190 countries, have fun with them!

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You know what, I got called racist for saying this because I guess I said I "hate the country people talk about" and am telling people "having a main is wrong." Which I'm going to respond to that. Never once did I say I hated the country people talked about. I said I find it annoying how much they focus on it. To clarify; No, no I don't hate any country. I don't hate any country in any way, countryhumans, or real life. If I sound racist by saying expand with your countries then block me, because that isn't my intention. My ADHD has limited me from focusing on stuff for too long, so this is just my experience and what I think. If you have a main character, then fine, I dont hate you at all, that's what you like, I just can't focus so much like you can. I also never said having a main is wrong. You can do you, I'm not limiting you. As I said, this is just *me*. It doesnt qualify for everybody, I know that.

I'm hella scared to post this again because of what people might think of me after *that* chapter went up, but if I do sound racist then just block me or say so. Don't insult me, don't come after me, just kindly tell me or just block me if you want. I'll either remove the chapter again or just not realize I'm blocked. I don't want to end in a fight.

| Genders Inequality |

So, I wanna make something clear; I am not judging people based on what gender they see a country as. That's just dumb to me.

Some see Russia as a Male, others see her as a female and that's fine to me reguardless, but I wanna discuss the 'difference' in personality/apperance between a Male version of a country vs a female version of a country.

People seem to portray the personality of a country based on their genders *very* differently.

A few examples;

How come the female version of Japan is some anime loving freak who's a neko and loves shipping her friends while the Male version is a smart, patient person who can build and do almost anything?

How come the female version of China is very cultural and independent while the Male version is always an asshole?

How come the female version of France is a sweet mother who loves her children while the Male version is a baguette loving weirdo?

See. The portray of the Male versions of countries and the female versions are very different. Japan is the biggest example of this that I could find.

Now I'm not saying it's not okay to have one female japan and one Male japan, but the way the 2 are portrayed is hella annoying. To be honest, I prefer a Male japan because of how bad I hate the female version. It's just cringy to me to see Female Japan portrayed

like that.

But really, I feel like there needs to be more balance with the Male and female versions. There's nothing connecting the two, theres no personality trait that's the same, it's like they're polar opposites and it doesn't seem to me like they represent the same country because of their polar opposite personalities.

The only few I haven't seen change much is Canada, South Korea, South Africa and Brazil

Canada as a female and Male seem to be strong yet very sweet and kind

South Korea as a female and Male is a k-pop loving gal(although it does annoy me how people portray them like this)

South Africa seems to be very cultural as a female and male

and Brazil still loves soccer/sports no matter the gender

So I guess it's not a huge "problem" but at the same time, theres nothing the same about the Male and female versions

| Some people are just toxic/ cant respect others opinions |

[Edited as of 28/7/21]

Theres toxic people in every community, I know that, but I feel like in the Countryhumans and Gacha community, the toxicity is more noticable. Or at least, people make it seem as if it's more notiticble and worse than it seems.

People, as I've seen, get mad for the smallest things, and get angry when people don't share the same headcanons. Mainly due to the fact this fandom has no headcanons and people can easily get entitled when there is no line to follow. And before you ask; No, I'm not talking about people who get mad that a headcanons is historically wrong and offensive, because people have the right to be angry if something is offensive or historically inaccurate. I'm talking about things such as people getting far to entitled when people dont see someone as the same gender as them, or same ship.

There are some other examples of toxicity in the fandom, however I want to focused more on the 'people cant respect some opinions' thing right now.

Some people cant respect opinions or the feelings of others and attack them for the smallest things. A simple, "Well, I dont ship them." doesnt bother me unless it's meant to be an insult. Its the, "why do you have China as a female? That's kinda weird" or, "Lesbian Germany is stupid, have Germany be ____ instead" questions and remarks that bother me.

Here are some stuff that personally annoy me or make me upset;

"Why do you have ___ as ___?"

"____ is stupid. Try _____ instead."

":([when referring to a gender or headcanon]"

"Aww, _____ isn't _____."

"I would never do that, but sure. [When referring to a headcanon]"

I'm not innocent. I've said some if not all of those things in the past and I'm sorry for it. Your headcanons are your headcanons, don't let somebody else telling you a glasses Germany is too basic because it's how you view them and that's okay. I've said spice it up before but really basic things such as glasses on Germany or an eye patch on Nepal is more than okay to do too for apperances!

| A quick few friendly remiders |

▪The UK supports the LGBTQ+ and even has a pride parade during pride month so making the UK homophobic in all your RusAme stories is inaccurate.

▪The Netherlands is not addicted to weed/smoking. They aren't even on the top 15 for drinking and rank 44 for smoking, so they aren't weed/smoking addicts.

▪Not all countries support the LGBTQ+ community. For example, Russia, so making her openly gay is incorrect.

▪It's fine to use some sterotypes, for example Italy liking to cook or liking pasta or pizza, but dont over do it. Like adding onto that for example, dont make Italy only about pizza and pasta, because there a lot of other foods that they make/cook.

▪This fandom isn't the worst fandom ever. There is a good side to it, just as the Is a good side to evey fandom. Sure, there are cringy stuff and history/relations isnt taken into consideration a lot of the time, but hang out with the right people and you'll find amazing stories and people who want to help this fandom! So dont let the whole "counteyhumans is the worst fandom ever" bring you down because there is good.

▪How you portray your countries is all up to you. Whether you want to do it by people, by culture, by government, it's all up to you, but I'm saying this just as an opinion, dont pick and choose about what you want to do. If you make everybody their people/culture, don't pick China and North Korea to be their governments. Also, there are

both good and bad people in every country, so I would take that into consideration that not everybody in one country is sweet as pie, or really nice.

▪Having a country in a normal tank top, crop top, skirt or bathing suit isn't sexualizing it. It's clothing. And a choice of clothing doesnt mean you want to have it done to you, nor does it mean you want people saying "you're sexualizing yourself by wearing a crop top" because that isn't why most people wear them. Summer exists and certain clothes are designed to keep you cool. Just because South Korea is wearing a crop top, doesnt mean they're sexualizing her. South Korea has very hot and humid summers, so she has no choice but to wear something like that or she could over heat. See what I'm getting at? I know, I suck at explaining.

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→Let's talk about what wrong with these. [This was added as of 16/6/21]

1[un/one].

→ If I'm being honost, I don't really mind this one as much as the others, however, the stereotype that Russia is always drunk/high is mainly the problem. Iceland, Moldova, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia, and Kosovo aren't in the EU either, so I would try to include them too. I know it's hard to add them all, but putting effort into including everybody is better than leaving people out.

2[deux/two].

→ This goes without saying. Third Reich should not be portrayed as this "uwu girl who marries sovirt." Yeah, no. Third Reich and Soviet shouldnt and wont ever get married. They hate each other with burning passion. Third Reich hated everybody with burning passion, so she shouldn't be shipped with anybody. The designs with their skin being all red just seems like lazy designing. The girl saying"owo" in the corner doesn't help the case here.

3[Trois/three].

→ This also goes without saying. America and China dont like each other, so they wouldnt be having səx together. France watching makes it even worse, if you saw people making out, you wouldn't stay and watch, you would most likely run away. The designs aren't very good either. Personally, I wouldn't just make their skin or hair the colour of their flag. I would either try to put effort into editing their flag or, making their flag out of the tools available or making them look like actual humans and just have their name available. It makes it look more appealing.

4[quatre/four].

→ The main problem with this is character design. The hair could've been done a lot better alongside the outfit. It seems as if they tried, but didn't do as well as they would've hoped. I think they could've done the design for America be a little bit better.

5[cinq/five].

→ I'm just going to copy down what I wrote in a previous chapter; So, yes, I do find out there is an annual dog eating festival held in China, but 2 things. 1; it's not a chinese tradition to eat dogs. And 2; from what I read, archivist are hoping it'll be the last festival[as of 2020]. I read that eating dog meat though is believed to bring good luck [and health] in some parts of China. However, it is not a cultural thing and only lasts for 10 days, so I doubt China would eat every dog she see's, or even think "Hey, that would be good dinner!"

6[six/six].

→ Once again just going to take what I wrote in a previous chapter; If I'm being honest, I didn't know much about their relationship, so I couldn't tell you much from my understanding. However I did know they had a bad relationship and I did find this, "The Soviet Union feared the loss of its communist proxy in Afghanistan. Thus, over the course of the 1980's, the Soviet Union poured in billions of dollars (US) into the war in Afghanistan, and at its peak, more than 100,000 Soviet soldiers were fighting in the country." to support my reasonings. I found it on understandingwar.org, which sums up the reason I wont write about them.

7[sept/seven].

→ There Is a lot wrong with this. **First of all**; North Korea and America would not be fighting over South Korea. North Korea and South Korea don't like each other, so South would most likely run to America over North. **Secondly**; Japan is the sterotype "uwu cat girl who ships everything." Japan is not that. Just because they made anime/is the creator of it does not mean everybody Is obsessed with

it. The face she's making in this, the way she's recording everything, the ears and tail is just wrong. Stop. **Third of all;** Ukraine. While Ukraine's design looks decent to me, the face she's making isn't necessary. **Lastly;** Russia. Russia is *always* high or drunk on vodka. No matter what. It's annoying, and not everybody in Russia is obsessed with it.

8[huit/eight].

→ If I'm being honost, this one doesn't bother me as much, but I recomend looking for outfits from that country [traditional, modernly, anyhting] and making that their outfit would make it look better instead of just making up a random outfit for them. Plus I don't understand why Americas hair is like that.

9[neuf/nine].

→ The designs are awful, and so are the names. As said before; try to put them in an outfit from their country, and try to pick a name from their country too. Brinda is not a Korean Name, as my friend from South Korea had said. I doubt Kenneda is a chinese name, Lilly I highly doubt would be a fit name for Third Reich, it just doesn't work out.

10[dix/ten].

→ It's RusAme. It's overrated and straight up inaccurate. The song is about harassing police officers, so RusAme doesn't fit it at all.

11[onze/eleven].

→ "But there nothing wrong with this" Japan is an "uwu cat". The editing is good, but I wish people would stop making her that way, it's just ignoring the culture Japan has to offer.

12[douze/twelve].

→ I think the editing it good [I took this from r/chc, so I'm not the one who disliked it], but I doubt Third Reich would be sorry for her actions, or in any way feel sympathetic.

13[Treize/thirteen].

→ All the strerytypes in this are so bad. Mexico is not obsessed with tacos, China doesn't wear a freaking noodle hat, Chad and Romania's flags look alike, but their people are 2 different things, Poland is not the "sweetest angel ever", UK is not always strict and a professional English man, and Japan isn't a neko wannabe. Please stop with the sterotypes. It's offensive and inaccurate.

→Stop with all gacha is bad. These are just some bad examples I found and figured explaining what was wrong with them would bring some attention of how to improve it.

| Furry Japan|

Ya' know, there was this big debate about this a few weeks/months on a YT video/animation meme of Japan, Italy, Taiwan, and South Korea [I can't remember the last person so this is a shot in the dark-]

Somebody commented saying they were glad Japan wasn't a furry for once, and people got mad at that. [Some people in the furry community even starting attacking them a little bit saying it's rude to say that]

I didn't read the whole thing, but I read enough to know some people say they make Japan a furry because it's cuter and they find no harm in it while the others said they agreed they liked Japan without ears because it could be offensive to the Japanese and it's far too overrated.

I do believe there is no harm in making Japan a Neko/furry. I also agree, however, it's far too overrated and how it's portrayed is ridiculous. It seems as if every time somebody makes Japan a Neko girl, they block out the culture Japan has to offer and only include the anime and fanfictions, which is not okay to do.

Just because Japan made anime/is the creator of it (I assume this Neko thing came from Anime, but I don't know), doesn't mean they are all weebs and nekos. As a matter a fact, I don't think there's anybody in the world who's part cat. However, as said before, I do not mind Japan as a furry/Neko as long as her whole personality does not revolve around it. Try to include the culture or aspects of the country instead of the stereotypical anime/manga-loving weirdo as well.

So yeah. I suck so badly at explaining but In conclusion; if you make Japan a Neko with cat ears and tail, I think that's perfectly fine because it's just a quirk they can have, just please do not make their whole personality anime/manga and try to add culture along there as well.

| Why must this fandom be so biased? |

I don't think Biased is the word I'm looking at, but here's what I'm trying to say;

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The US, Canada, Australia and New Zealand are the only "children" of the United Kingdom (as I dedicated another chapter to already), but why? I've always been stuck on the question of why they're the only ones to appear since so many other countries have historical relations with the UK or have been under their rule in the past. I was told before it was because they have 4 qualities; (a) they spoke English, (b) were colonized by the British Empire, (c) have relations with UK today and (d) are developed.

But how do those qualities contribute to why those nations would be related to the United Kingdom? Why does being fully developed have to be a quality? How does development correlate to who they should be related to who? The history of quite a few nations will still show they were formally commonwealth reigns—countries the King and Queen of the UK ruled—despite how developed they are in the present years. It's not like just that goes away. How developed a country is now doesn't change the course of their history or what country once ruled it. (A lot of countries that struggle with development now struggle because of the crap Europe did to them. Imagine being a colony for a hundred years, finally getting your independence, then just fuzzing out of existence and getting no acknowledgement of your past because your colonizer made it diffecult for you to develope & improve your nation due to the famines and stuff stolen from you.) It isn't fair. South Africa, Nigeria, Kenya, Malawi... they were all under the same country as Australia, the US, New Zealand, and Canada at one point but dont get any recognition of having a role in UK's life because they aren't developed? That's the quality that makes them not matter? It

annoys me.

Having a relationship with UK now I also find a little ridiculous... who a country is allied with shouldn't determine their family tree.

I don't agree with the British Empire or the UK, however you prefer, having anything children or being related to any of them at all, but for those who are invested in having it this way, include everybody somehow.

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Plus, something that bothers me is how Nazi Germany [third reich] and Germany can be 2 different people, but Britain and the British Empire aren't. Empire of Japan and Japan can be 2 different people, and same old. I just don't understand. I do understand Third Reich and JE had a more brutal falling out than the British Empire did but the BE did still end so I don't think how they ended should determine whether they are the same. And quite honestly, I wouldn't necessarily mind this as much if the UK wasn't seen as some really bad person now because of their crappy Empire. If you're going to make them the same person at least make them have improvements and show their progress over history in their backstory of personality because they have changed.

The Portuguese Empire and Portugal have the same situation where people potray them as the same person as well as France and the French Empire and Spain with her Empire. I just dislike it a little and think countryhumans who are the children of these empires could have a really cool (not cool but I can't think of a word right now) backstory in terms of how they grew up and what life was like living with these Empires. Instead of being them, they can experience some of the things their colonies went through which could make as a good base for their relationship with other nations and witness their empire's collapse first hand.

| The British Empire was NOT just USA, Canada, Australia, and NZ |

I don't know if I've ever formally talked about this so here it is.

Y'all need to stop with the "America, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand are Britain's biological children" thing or be more open to the concept of those 4 aren't the only countries Britain colonized in its reign because it's really inaccurate.

First things first; Canada wasn't even apart of the British Empire. Well, parts of it wasn't. What's now called Newfoundland used to have settlements of both French and English peoples, England settling more on the Eastern Side and France was on the southern. The Treaty of Utrecht signed in 1713 gave Newfoundland and a bunch of other territories from Canada over to the British, but reguardless, most of it was a French Colony prior to the treaty and still remained mainly a french Colony. It was called Nouvelle France ("New France"). Why are they even depicted as Britain's children when historically, it wasn't even fully *its* colony? Do you split Canada into 2 so half goes with UK and half goes with France? 'Cause let me tell you, UK & France would not willingly pop out a child together, or agree to coparent it.

Second; modern US was also not just a British Colony, but rather Spainish, and French (Louisiana Purchase territories) too, so modern US wouldnt have just Britain as his biological parent. I mean, hypothetically you could split each section of the US into different people who each come from different people. (Such as Louisiana could be related to France, Nueva España could be related to Spain, 13 colonizes to Britain, Hawai'i to its Kingdom, Alaska to Russian Empire, you get it), but how do States play a role in that then? Do you just personify Hawai'i & Alaska because they're so different? But then again, every state is full of different ethnic

backgrounds. Like Rhode Island has a large population of Portuguese & Brazilian people, New Hampshire is home to quite a few Irish and French peoples, Arizona has a decent amount of Native Americans. How do you represent those people?

And on another episode of: where in the world is africa? I ask why you don't make the African & other Oceanian & American nations related to UK or anybody else. You people *are* aware theres more colonies than those 4, right? You *are* aware Britain caused suffering internationally in Africa, Central America, Caribbean, Oceania, Asia, even Europe too, right?

[image]

Look at all those nations! You all really choose FOUR out of FIFTY SEVEN?!

Where are the others??? Where is Barbados? Ireland? Burma? Where are they?? Do they not exist? Where is South Africa? New Guinea? FIJI? WHERE IS FIJI?!?

I might come off as mean but it honestly pisses me off how you people chose literally 4 nations when there's 53 other neglected ones. If it's "too hard" to pay attention to all of them, trust me, I understand, but it doesn't mean you shouldn't *try*. It doesn't mean they should be neglected.

| England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland as the siblings of UK |

That title is a little specific but it's what I've seen a lot of.

I'm actually unsure if this is an issue still or whether it's irrelevant anymore, but from a lot of the older stories involving the UK, England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Irelandare usually deemed as the younger brother's of UK, or even children sometimes and I think that's really *really* weird.

Like, how do you think the UK was formed..? Who do you think came first to form the *unification*?

Normans in England invaded & conquered southern Wales in 1093, but it wasn't until 1284 when Kingdom of England's king, King Edward I, had invaded Northern Wales and made it the Principality of of Wales. Reguardless, Wales and England were still under the same roof, were already together prior to Scotland coming into the picture, which by the way occurred in 1707 and formed Great Britain. "United Kingdom" did not exist until 1801 after Irish parliment was abolished upon the Act of Union and Kingdom of Ireland joined the already existing Great Britain.

Even so half of y'all forget the Irish War of Independence and act like the two love each other. They don't. Ireland wouldn't want to associate herself with UK and Northern Ireland wouldn't want to associate themselves with Ireland either.

So. Point being; England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, Ireland even wouldn't be the "siblings" of the modern United Kingdom. They'd be parents, grandparents if you make the British Empire the parents, something older than UK because they are the reason *United Kingdom* is even United.

《Soviet Union.》

I've been wanting to make this for a while but never actually did so let's do this.

Soviet wouldn't be a good mother. Maybe towards Russia, but I doubt she would actually help her if she were hurt and give her barely any food regardless if she "liked" her or not. And I want to get into some stuff that the Soviet Union did that brought me to this conclusion.

1. the Labor Camps.

The Soviet Union had sent over 18million of their people into the Soviet Gulag System. Gulag at its most horrible was a system of hundreds of labor camps and could have a good 100,000 people each. Kolyma became a huge area for these labor camps and thousands of people died just on the way there. The people forced into these camps had to work on large-scale construction, mining, and industrial projects and had no safety equipment to help them through it. Not to mention that many of the people would cut their hands with axes or place their arms in a wood stove to avoid working there. If they didn't complete their day's task they would receive less food and keep in mind food was already extremely tight and the weather there was brutal a lot of the time. Many workers died from exhaustion, while others were physically assaulted or

shot by camp guards. Doesn't seem pleasant, huh? Well, it wasn't, and this stuff is often ignored.

2. Cannibal Island was a thing.

While I was doing my research about the Soviet Union I had come across this. Cannibal Island was a place where prisoners [of which Stalin rounded up during the 1930s] would go without food or shelter for weeks. Within the first 4 weeks, 4,000 people died. What do you think the other 2,000 people did? They ate the dead people and even killed others to gain more food for themselves. Yup. Think about that for a moment. Well, don't think about an image because I would feel bad for you guys, but think about the actions Stalin had caused.

3. Stalin had killed a bunch of Polish Military Officers.

Yes, he didn't do this during WW2. After the Nazis had invaded Poland, we all know the Soviet Union had as well. We all know that the Soviet Union had imprisoned and tortured the Polish, although you probably hadn't heard that in Smolensk, Russia, 6 Graves were containing thousand of Polish bodies, most of which being Military Officers[these were discovered by the Germans], and the Germans came to the concluding a massacre had gone on. This is called the Katyn Massacre. Over 22 thousand Polish People were killed by the Soviet Union due to that.

4. People were considered "Mentally Ill" if they didn't believe in communism.

"Sluggish Schizophrenia" was what the Soviets called the illness known as "not liking communism." As a treatment, those who had this so-called "Sluggish Schizophrenia" were out on high doses of antipsychotic drugs to try and cure them.

5. They had out down the Hungarian Revolution.

Instead of trying to resolve the solution thoughtfully, The Soviet Union just brought tanks to Budapest and killed over 2,500 people along with making 200,000 people flee and run away. Some way to resolve things.

6. They took away everything Ukraine had.

I feel like this is never talked about, at all, but in 1928, the Holodomor happened. What is the Holodomor you may ask? Well, I shall tell you. The Holodomor was a combination of a severe drought, chaotic implementation of forced collectivization of farms, and the food requisition program carried out by the Soviet authorities. It killed over 4 million people in the process and caused much starvation in Kazakhstan and Russia. Not to mentioned, they took away everything Ukraine had. They forced farmers to give up their land, livestock, and all their equipment. The Soviets had created Military Boundaries to make sure no food would be entering Ukrainian homes. Within a sound of a year, 30,000 Ukrainians were dying each day due to the starvation caused by the Soviet Union. The worst part was the fact they exported so much grain out of Ukraine and just went "Yeah, Ukraine is cool." to the rest of the world.

6. "Can I make an ape-human hybrid using your chimps?"

"No."

7. They violated Human Rights.

During the Battle of Berlin when the Soviet Troops were marching through Berlin they had assaulted Female Germans and who tried protecting themselves. They had claimed the German Troops were assaulting Russian Women for years and it was just payback for their actions so they found it acceptable, however, due to the Soviet assault some German women tried to commit suicide and even killed their children to avoid them getting killed by the Russians. Some German Woman would even sacrifice themselves to some Russian Soldiers so they wouldn't be a victim of somebody else.

8. Mental Health was a no-go.

When Chernobyl happened, hundreds of thousands of people were relocated to another area which traumatized many and sent many kids to school to be bullied. Those who were pregnant and already mothers who had to clean up the mess of Chernobyl were told to have suffered major long-term mental health issues. The Liquidators

after cleaning had a high suicide rate along with self-harm and attempts of suicide.

9. Pregnant Women had done awful choices.

After Chernobyl, pregnant women were tricked or forced into ending their pregnancies. They had encouraged 100,000 to 200,000 women to end their pregnancy by saying their children would be born with severe birth defects. They had also forced women into abortions and order those around Chernobyl to have their children be born early. Those babies who survived were disposed of.

So, in conclusion; I doubt Soviet would be a good mother towards her kids and those 9 things above are my reason why. Except for that Ape one. That has nothing to do with why I think she would be a bad mother I just added it because I felt like it.

Spoiler; it failed miserably.

| Romanticism of Nazi-Germany, and the USSR |

The romanticism of Nazi Germany [or, known as Third Reich in the fandom], as well as the Soviet Union, is just a big no. You can't be romanticizing nations that brutally murdered and tortured innocent people like that. It's not okay. And to ship them with each other- just, why? They made people suffer- they made their people suffer. Even nations like PRUSSIA, both German Empires, Austria-Hungary, Empire of Japan, Fascist Italy, and even the French Empire is often romanticised despite their actions and it isn't okay.

And look, I get it; they can have feelings because they're humans. But is a nation that killed millions really showing love towards somebody or even their child? I just can't see it working out at all. Nor do I see it as an innocent action, or a good one.

| The Potray of Russia |

→ I hate nothing better to post so wanna hear me rant about Russia?

[Russia is a Cis Female in my headcanon, so I'll be using she/her pronouns to refer to them. Same goes for the Soviet Union so I'll be using labels such as "aunt" and "niece."]

And I've made how many characters about RusAme, I'm not even going to do it again.

1 [One/Un/Uno] . The Personality.

First things first; the fact they're always seen as rude and cold. Let's talk about this for just a moment before moving onto stereotypes of liking and disliking. Russians tend to be extremely demonstrative, and physical contact is common there as well as directness [or being straight forwards.] However, they've grown to enjoy working individually from the communist history they have, as well as having a lot of personal awareness, and meeting new people may come off as a cool gesture, not much of a friendly smile. When we put the people into perspective and form a character revolving the people, the cold part isn't really that inaccurate towards the knew people Russia would meet. But towards people like China and North Korea? She would probably be happy and glad to be around them, unlike the cold reputation they're usually seem around them. Having a slap on the shoulder and a pat on the back is a normal occurrence for the two when around her.

But when representing government, that seems like a different person. Russia when representing government would actually be the cold person others stereotype her to be. The power Putin, their leader, has is abused by him, so Russia would be abusing any power

she gets too because she represents his actions. The power she holds as a countryhuman would be well known for she would make herself clear on what she wants and is.

2 [Two/Deux/Dos] . The love of vodka.

Fun fact; tea has an important on Russian culture and has associated itself as a normal beverage. Not to mention, it's preferred to drink vodka in small shots, not right out of the bottle. This stereotype is just annoying, and while Vodka is the national drink doesn't mean Russia in this CH universe should be portrayed like this.

3 [Three/Trois/Tres] . The clothing.

Like I said with the previous chapter, traditional dresses absolutely rock. Traditional outfits in general rock, so maybe trying something actually associate with Russia rather than a Ushanka would maybe seem better? I guess this is all just preference, but like, sarafan dresses are absolutely gorgeous yet they're never appreciated in this fandom. It's the same as dresses like dirndl, dashiki, hanbok, deel, hanfu, kiekie, caftan, and umushanana's are always thrown aside and either replaces by stereotypes or completely forgotten in general.

4 [Four/Quatre/Cuatro] . The relationships.

Now, I'm not going to really dig that deep into this because I've done that so many times already, but, why is Russia closer to Poland than she is Belarus-? Russia is the largest and most important economic/trading partner for Belarus and 49% of Poland's population views Russia in a negative way. The Soviet Union did terrible things to all the soviet states yet Russia loves her anyways. China and Russia aren't even official allies so take that into a little bit of consideration, Ukraine absolutely hates Russia's guts after Crimea but they're still "best sister friends," and India and Russia's relationship is always forgotten.

| The Potray of Germany |

Somebody asked me to do this month's and months ago, but I completely forgot it, so I'm doing it now that I've done the romanticism of Nazi-Germany and the Soviet Union.

Highly thanks to @Omaruper for helping me with this! It was really helpful and I strongly appreciate it! I don't have much German ancestry in me, and I do not currently live there, so it was great to hear from somebody who's from Germany and understand their point of view better than mine.

[Germany is a Cis Female in my headcanon, so I'll be using she/her as the pronouns. Of course, you can use whatever, but that's just what I'm referring to her as. Third Reich is a Cis Female to me as well, so I'll also be using she/her and labels such as "mother".]

1 [one/un/uno] . She loves her mother [or, the association of Germany with Nazi Germany.]

Modern. Germany. Is. Not. Accosted. With. The. Nazi's. And. Refuse. To. Ever. Be. Again. Stop making Germany in a loving relationship with her mother or even associate herself with her at all because modern-day Germany hates what the nazis had done and have agreed them being defeated was a good idea. If you're representing the modern people, it's not the best idea to have them in a "lovey" Relationship with Third Reich speaking they majorly dislike the actions and effects the Nazi's had done. And while Third Reich may love her daughter, speaking that's what the Nazi's goal was [better power for Germany,] Germany wouldn't love her mother because Germans nowadays have different opinions on the subject.

2 [two/Deux/dos] . She's a workaholic.

Let's get into the overview here; Germany has several strict laws against work hours. Working over 8 hours a day is illegal to do and not taking at least 2 weeks of vacation is too. So, when we look at it from that point of view, Germany has no choice but to not work as much as the others do if it's illegal in her country to do so. However, that does not mean they are stupid, as a matter of fact, Germany has ranked 3rd place for Nobel Prize winners will 107 winners, as well as 21 in highest IQ's per country, so saying Germany is dumb for having low work hours is both rude and inaccurate in many ways. Especially when it isn't their fault they cannot work the hour's other countries have and we don't know how much they work within those 40 hour work weeks. But how do we portray that? If they don't work as much as the other Europeans [besides Netherlands/Holland,] but it's a law preventing that, how should it be portrayed? What can really happen? That, I'm really not going to answer here because I think it highly depends on the point of view you're looking at it in and how you chose to do it.

3 [three/Trois/tres] . She's dating Poland.

I guess in some ways, they could *be* together, as in, they could try because there is no physical boundary actually preventing it from happening, but I don't think they would be a happy couple as everybody keeps portraying them as. Like, Poland was spilt by Russia, Austria, and Prussia long before the Invasion of Poland in WW1 + WW2 even occurred. Between PRUSSIA, Nazi-Germany, First German Empire, Second-German Empire, it really does not make sense to me to have them in a happy relationship. Modern relations really don't cut out past relations. We can't ignore Nazi-Germany and Poland, we can't ignore Prussia with Poland, we can't ignore anything like that just to make make a couple. History is history. It happened.

4 [four/quatre/cuatro] . She's dating Russia.

I really don't know how to feel about this one. Maybe it's just the history between the two that's like "ehhhhh this seems like such a bad idea-" but I can't say it's awful speaking their relations are decent today.

| The Japanese Empire was no good guy. |

Period. I'm so sick of seeing a good person or good father Japanese Empire. This guy was an abuser, a rapist, a crappy person who stopped at nothing when it came to watching people suffer.

This chapter mentions all those things, including many disturbing topics.

⇨ Unit 713.

➡ Unit 731 is known for its intolerable and most notorious crimes commited by Japanese armed forces. Its responsible for over 200,000 deaths and had no documented survivors. This place was hell. They would preform horrifying experiments on the people unfortunate enough to be forced into it. These included surgery without the use of any anesthesia. Yeah, they'd cut people open and literally their organs withiut putting them under something because they thought it messed with their vessels and organs. The children who's parents were suspected spies were even tortured.

They would amputat limbs to study bloodloss then attach it onto the opposite side of their body. In China, they dropped plague-infected fleas over towns folks and killed so many due from the bubonic plague (the disease the fleas were carrying).

Flame throwers were tested on people. People were tied and used as targets. They were starved, dehydrated, spun to death, burned, hung, injected with animal blood, buried alive, burned alive, and had chemicals tested in and on them.

⇨ Rape of Nanjing

➡ During the Japanese occupation of Nanjing City, China in 1937, 20,000 women and children were brutally raped. They would rape women to death. Thousands of their bodies were dumped into the Yangtze River and the Japanese hadn't stopped until the river turned red. They'd looted the city and burned ⅓ of it when they were done. Overall, 300,000 people lost their lives during the massacre. This was a traumatic event in Nanjing's history–In China's history.

⇨ Occupation of Korea.

➡ I've talked about this before so I won't go into too much depth about it. The Empire of Japan occupied Korea from 1910 until 1945 after the two bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki were dropped and Japan was forced to surrender the territory. During this time, Japan tried exterminating Korean Culture and did as much as even banning Hangul. During the March 1st Movement (a movement made by the Koreans to try and gain independence from Japan) they'd headed everybody in the town of Teigan and burned it to the ground with the people inside of it while shotting through the windows. They locked the doors to prevent the people from getting out. Those who participated in the movement were tortured and executed after.

⇨ Occupation of Taiwan

➡ They'd even occupied Taiwan from 1895–1945. They'd also been unfortunately killed by Japan during this time, one incident being the Musha Incident. Japan started a road program that would build into Indigenous territories. Indigenous peoples were killed during this program. Between 1914 & 1917, the Japanese forces commited an aggressive "pacification" (which is ironic because a pacification is meant to create peace) which killed many residents. They wanted to take over the Truku People so they just attacked it.

⇨ Other notable occupations

➡ I can't talk about every Occupation in depth, however they also occupied Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia (known as Indo-China at the time), Myanmar (Burma), Thailand (Siam), Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, East Timor, Brunei (Dutch East Indies), Philippines, Hong Kong, China, Nauru, Guam, Kiribati, Papau (Australian Territory, now New Guinea), Mariana Island, Marshall Island, and Solomon.

Wanna know how many nations I just named?

21.

They lied and made propaganda to try and tell people they liked being Japan, even though thay was far from the truth. They treated them like they were nothing and tried making them, well, Japan. Stripping away their cultures and languages.

Hell, at even one point they had a competition in China to see how fast they could kill 100 people with a sword.

⇨ Forced Labor.

➡ During the Bataan Death March was a forced match against the Filipino and American soldiers. They'd make people march im the heat despite theit exhaustion, hunger, and thirst. They'd behead those who fell out of line and run those left behind over with their vehicles.

The Death Railway was an unfortunate event whrn Australians and Asians were forced to build until they died.

I already talked about the comfort woman, but they were also an act of forced labor.

Prisoner of War (PoW/POW) camps contained labor as well. They captured over 140,000 allied military personnels, held in unbearable conditions, and forced to work/build. They died of starvation, malnutrition, mistreatment, diseases, and of course, harsh punishments/environment.

⇨ They dont own up to some things.

➡ This is more a modern issue, but even still, I find it important to note how during their reign, they showed no mercy for anybody. They carried out all of this like it was second nature to hurt anything that wasn't them. While they've changed dramatically, its still an ongoing issue with ignorance and denial. They never apologised for Unit 731, even when the government acknowledged it in 1988 and still haven't given some people official apologies for what they'd done for them.

On that note, however, I'd like to say how there are people who have owned up to some of this stuff, don't think the entire nation is subjected to that statement. Even some examples are;

Hatoyama Yukio had said about the Nanjing massacre "As a Japanese citizen, I feel that it's my duty to apologize for even just one Chinese civilian killed brutally by Japanese soldiers and that such action cannot be excused by saying that it occurred during the war."

Katsuya Okada said, "I believe what happened 100 years ago deprived Koreans of their country and national pride. I can understand the feelings of the people who lost their country and had their pride wounded," about the occupation of Korea.

Naoto Kan stated, "I express a renewed feeling of deep remorse and state my heartfelt apology for the tremendous damage and suffering caused by colonial rule...against the will of the Korean people" reguarding the Korean Occupation .

There's is room for better relations, there is room to improve and act upon, but it isn't like people haven't tried.

[Some Notable People]

⇨ Xia Shuqin is a Survivor or the Nanjing massacre. She was 8 years old when she watched her family murdered in their home by the Japanese before being stabbed herself. She fought for years against those who deny the Nanjing and refuse to admit it. She's turning 94.

⇨ Kim Bok-dong was a comfort woman who was put into sexual slavery at as a young woman. She tried commitng suicide by drinking poison, though her plan failed. She publicly shared her experience in 1992 which sparked for her to campaign and act against sexual slavery, abuse, and human rights. She died in 2019 at the age of 92.

⇨ Liu Huang A-tao was the first Taiwanese to sue and demand an apology against Japan. She was 19 when she was made a comfort woman after being tricked by Japan into being told she would be a nurse. "It is not us, but the Japanese government that should feel ashamed," she replied when asked about her experience. "We are all cherished daughters in the eyes of our parents. Since the Japanese army robbed us of our virginity, it is not too much to demand an apology from such a government." She told a journalist. She died in 2011 at the age of 88.

| Okay, but like, traditional dresses rock. |

I genuinely want to see more countryhumans wearing their traditional dresses.

Like, have you SEEN dashiki's?! How about dirndl, deel, hanfu, hanbok, kiekie, and umushanana's?! They are GORGEOUS!!

| Popularity |

I'm not going to talk specifically about overrated characters or their representation in the fandom, but I'm more going to talk about how "popularity" is typically ranked. And I'm not going to voice a personal opinion on this, at least for now. I might add something later, but when this wasn't my exact argument I don't want to pick a side.

I saw this argument on Reddit the other day (or yesterday? Can't remember exactly) where somebody said Oceania was underrated and the OP replied with something like "Australia and New Zealand are pretty overrated" to which another person said those 2 aren't the only ones in Oceania and it sparked the argument of "well they *have* somebody."

To cut it short, one person claimed Oceania had a representative and Africa didn't therefore they were "overrated" for that reason, while the other argued back with the idea it shouldn't be ranked that way (ranked by continent instead of country) because its incorrect and isn't truly fair to the underrated nations within the "overrated countries" who get no love because people avoid the "overrated continent."

Eastern and Western Europe for example was something heavily used during this. Gyeong-hui (who gave me permission to use her name because I talk to her often) said in her reply to the OP "2 countries being popular shouldn't really make up for the entire continent itself imo. You really need to look at this in sections than the continent as a whole. Western Europe isn't considered underrated to you because more countries there gain popularity and attention, but what about Eastern Europe? If you look over to them, the popularity dies down and is really only led by Ukraine, Russia, and Belarus despite there being dozens of other countries there too. This makes that part of Europe far more underrated compared to the other side. It isn't exactly fair to say a whole continent is overrated and not bother to acknowledge that continent because of

there being overrated nations there. Theres many countries like Albania, North Macedonia, Bosnia, etc for example within eastern europe are neglected because these more popular countries dominant the continent and people would rather not look at Europe for this reason." As well as "...I don't think the argument should revolve around continents as a whole because there's many different aspects that can go into popularity." later on.

OP (who I did not speak to) said in their argument how "... even though countries like Belgium and Luxembourg are underrepresented, doesn't mean Europe is underrated." And "... while Oceania has Australia and NZ as well rep'd characters, Africa and The Caribbean don't have any popular characters in the fandom."

So, to sum it up again pretty much; Some people believe ranking popularity and being "overrated" shouldn't be something judged by continent because it isn't fair to under popular while others tend to disagree and fight back on the idea that if a continent has an overpopular character that makes them less underrated I guess? I don't know how to exactly word what the second side is trying to make out but by reading the thing I hope you get the idea.

So, yeah. What do you think about it? Should the ranking of "overrated" be by country or continent?

| This Excuse. |

[image]

And for those who cannot read it; ❝ And sorry if I offend you by the tr x ussr drawing. I understand why this would be (based on history) seen as offensive, but please keep in mind that you could see them as ocs of mine that just look like both of them. They are based on the countries but more to my headcanon ❞

Get out of here with your so called "headcanon" dude, I cannot stand this excuse for shipping those two. You can't take two **enemy** terrorist nations and **ship** them but claim headcanon to get away with it.

This is like a rant at this point, but I genuinely cannot stand how people will use this after somebody points out what they do is wrong.

| The Potray of India |

► Suggested by @NovisisDead. They not only asked but they helped me a lot when telling me how they feel and what they wanted to be discussed. [if you'd like your name removed, just let me know.]

► I have to be honest, I've never really looked into India'a potray too much so I'm not 100% sure how people potray her or if I got the situation completely accurate. I'm mainly going off of the compliants I've received and what I was told about them, but again I could have misinterpreted what they asked for or were talking about.

► Word count excluding this is 2148

► My main India is a cis female so I'll be referring to her as (already seen) she/her.

[1 — Personality]

► India is oftenly portrayed as either (a) a softy or (b) somebody who's overly clingy. Which I think a lot of people seemingly forget how old and powerful the country truly is.

Aside from its population, India is a very strong country military wise, economically, and influencally. The United Nations Peacekeeping website has India at #5 in terms of contributions to the police, UN military exports on mission, staff officers, and troops with over 5,400 people involved. The Global Firepower Index Statistics places India in 4th for overall global power and have 1,450,000 active duty people in the military. I am not saying you need to base India off of military or you need to revolve yours around it (you absolutely can if you want to, I'm just not insisting

that here). I'm trying to say India shouldn't be labled as a softy who's sensitive to everything little thing or cannot handle herself and needs somebody by her side. She's more than capable of handling herself.

G20 is an organization designed to discuss the global economy and consists of the world's largest economies. India is apart of that, they're 6th in terms of Nom. GDP (5th if you exclude the EU) in the group, 4th in PPP GDP (3rd if you exclude the EU) and they're overcoming China in population making them the most populated nation. According to the ADB (Asian Development Bank), larger asian economies such as China and India have a more important role in the global economic governance in the future. So again, she's pretty good and can handle herself just fine.

More about ADB and India's role in it (you can all ignore this if you'd like, this is just for a little more context on India and how they've helped the ADB), they are a founding member and have commited to 855 projects overall (worth 59.70 billion US dollars total). They've participated in projects reguarding finance, transport, health, education, trade, amongst others. In their country they have given over 600,000 homes electricity, improved over 33,000 roads, and improved the water supply of 3,768,600.

Is it okay for your India to be kind, sensative to topics, or have flaws. Absolutely. Every character should be given flaws or have some weakness in some aspect of their lives or have some good aspect of their lives too, but to have a superpower be seen as such a softy and not be capable of standing alone is just... weird?

[2 — Relationships]

[2.1 — British Empire, British Raj, East India Company, Modern India & Modern UK]

► Starting with this one. This is not just a thing I see with India, I see quite often colonies act like their colonizers are their best friends or a parental figure to them. Most of them are not.

British Raj & East India Company are much forgotten colonies of the Britsh Empire despite the amount of stuff that occurred there

and how horribly the it was treated. Over the course of India's colonization, they went through 12 major famines, to name a few; the Great Famine of 1876–1878 with an estimated death count of 5.6–9.6 million, Bengal Famine (1943) with a death toll of 0.8–3.8 million, Great Bengal Famine (1769–1771) with 7–10 million deaths, and the Upper Doab Famine (1860–1861) with 2 million. Tens of millions of people died as a result of these famines and much more were affected due the British raising the prices on food, taking their materials, diseases, and crop failure. The Bengal Famine in 1943 is an example, as it was caused by supply complications (lack of & dislocations) during WW2 and malaria. The pictures taken from some of them are insanely sad.

Aside from the famines, the British tried to oppress the culture and language of India. They life expectancy was only 27, India went from one of the most cultural and wealthiest nations to being the poorest because of the amount of stuff taken from them during colonization. Slaves and servants were taken from India and moved to British Colonies in Africa and the west Indies. About 3 million were forced to migrate.

All of that being said, India would be severely assulted and abused by the British Empire which would carry on into the modern world. It would affect her relationship with the UK now because, I've mentioned this in the past too, you don't just forget after something ends, the scars last. Her relationship with her would be strained, possibly even some tensions between them and barriers. India in the countryhumans universe may have overcome and is her own country now but she will have scars and certain triggers that will affect her because of what the British Empire did to her.

I know. I wrote a lot just for that conclusion that could have been a sentence.

[2.2 — India, Pakistan, and Kashmir]

► I think I talked about this in "Innacurate/Disrespectful Ships" but I can't remember. Either way, I'll say it again because it would be pretty far down in the chapter and I don't know how many would actually read that far. Plus, I'm sure there plenty of stuff I didn't mention.

India and Pakistan aren't as buddy-buddy as they're shown. From what I've seen and watched, the "ship" is relatively popular, at least in terms of ships containing India. Their relationship is quite violent and strained as they've fought 3 wars against one another over the disputed territory of Kashmir. Starting in 1989, the terrorists trained in Pakistan forcibly pushed (an estimated number of) 100,000 Hindus out of Kashmir Valley. Pretty much islamic terrorists tried ethnically cleaning the area by kicking the hindus or anybody who followed Hinduism out of it. Those who were killed during the exodus were supposedly tortured and experienced extreme acts of sadistic behaviour by the terrorists. Like, they were burned with hot irons, strangled, bleed, had vital organs gouged from their body, drowned, and lynched to name just a few. Thousands of houses were burned, houses were looted, businesses were forced to close back in the late 1980s–early 1990s and more than 200 people have reportably been killed between 1990–2008.

The Kashmir insurancey is a separatist militant insurancey (*insurancey; an active revolt or uprising*) against India and is supported by Pakistan as well as many terrorist groups such as Al-Qaeda, Islamic State and their sub-groups. Civilian casualties alone estimate ~20,000 and its been in affect in 1989.

The Indian-Pakistan Conflict began on 22 October 1947 after Pakistan backed up Pashtun Mehsud (ethnic groups in eastern iran [Pashtun], Afghanistan [both], and Pakistan [Mehsud]) tribals and invaded the Kashmir territory. Its ongoing, so this October (2023) the conflict will be turning 76 years old.

Although one thing I do want to mention is when Gujarat, India was hit with a 7.6 Mw earthquake on 2001 and Pakistan did send aids to them. 2,000 blankets and 200 tents were sent to India that day and the president of Pakistan at the time (Pervez Musharraf) expressed sympathy for the loses. When Azard Kashmir (a reigon in Kashmir administrated by Pakistan) was hit with a.7.6 Mw earthquake in 2005 which resulted in over 86,000 dead, India tried to provid some aid to Pakistan but both countries struggled to build a bond off of their attempts since Pakistan was still a little hostile towards them.

[2.3 — India and Sweden]

This ship is just weird to me. Like, don't get me wrong there is technically nothing wrong with it because the two are friendly towards one another but there's so many other nation's India is much closer with, putting Sweden above them is just bizarre I guess? This would be a crack ship. The only reason this ship seems to even exist is because of T-Series and PewDiePie and don't base a ship entirely off of two brawling social media stars because its weird.

I think thats it? If I missed anything let me know but I think I covered a decent amount of the things I could cover. As I mentioned before, I could have misinterpreted what I was supposed to talk about since I'm not very familiar with the potray of India, but I tried.

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『 The Potray of China 』

➡ I got the request to do this one a long time ago, but I didn't see it until recently, so I apologise for not getting this out sooner.

➡ I'll be referring to China as they/them because I'm generalising.

【 1. Personality 】

➤ China in the fandom is primarily represented as a bad person who's usually antagonist if the US is the protagonist. In those High-School AU's, it isn't that hard to find China bullying the US for 'who even knows what reason' or doing something that should've certainly winded them up in juvenil detention. They're portrayed as tyrannical, and often given no potential or any sort of character development.

I've said it before, it's okay to incorporate a country's economic or political situation into their countryhuman. There isn't anything wrong with including every aspect of a country into their representation and incorporating their political situation or leader into them somehow too. But it feels quite unfair to base a countryhuman entirely off of their political situation and disregard everything else about them. China is not just a government with no good aspects or potentials to it. It has culture, it has a language, it has geography, it has a history, it has people.

China has a very unique culture and languages. Theres a hundreds of different variants of Chinese that are spread amongst the country. Like Mandarin that's the most commonly spoken, Wu thats spoken around the Zhejiang reigon, Min thats spoken in the Fujian reigon and a little in Taiwan, Gan thats more inland and spoke amongst Jianxi and Hunan, and so many others. They're all a little different and have something that makes them unique.

Culture wise, there's a lot I could say about it. They have one of the oldest cultures and much like other countries, have multiple different ones throughout the nation depending on the reigon or side you're on. The Shanxi reigon, for example, has a small percentage of people who follow chinese folk religions (specifically Taoist traditions) with 15.61% of people in 2009 following it. Sichuan has a majority of people following Chinese folk religions, Taoist traditions, anx Chinese Buddhism, A few reigons in northern China like Xinjiang and Qinghai recodnize Mongolian as an official language and have a little Mongol influence. Southern China contains Guangdong that has spread a bit of Cantonese culture. Inner Mongolia has some Mongolian influence too, such as street signs (including public transportation) need to be in Mongolian and Chinese, and there's three Mongolian TV channels. It isn't like they are one singular place with no sense of diversity.

The earliest findings of a crossbow was from ancient China as early as the 7th century. And the firearrow in the 9th century. Perhaps China could be a little interested in archery and do it on the side. Or maybe it could just be a little hobby that's run in the family for generations if you want to make them a little more connected to it. They created tea, dental amalgam. They manufacture a lot of stuff. iPad, iPhone, Apple products, and airpods are all primarily created in China. China made $238.08 billion (US) dollars worth of phone product exports in 2022. They were the biggest manufacturing sector

China has potential to be a really interesting character and be given interesting traits and strengths. But they can't and won't be if the only thing that is being focused on if their issues and what is happening with their government.

You could make them interested in robotics. Archery. Economics. Marketing. You could incorporate the different influences and cultures of the reigons into their design, or personality. Theres is so much that could make them an interesting and unique character.

【 2. Ships 】

□□➤ *Some ships like China × Japan I've already talked about so I did not include them here. And I only talk about ships I find to be an issue.*

If there is anything else I fail to mention or get wrong, do correct me and I can add or change the information. If you feel differently about any of these, again do say because I would love to know.

➤ (1) ; **Philippines** × **China**. The Sunshine harem is something I've openly disliked because of the backstory behind the ships. China is one of the countries typically seen in the harem and is one of the more popular ships when standing alone. But it doesn't make sense. China and the Philippines have had some territorial disputes alongside being on opposite sides during war and becoming allies with enemy countries. I don't think the South China Sea (or South Sea or the North West Sea, whichever you call it) dispute specifically is news for anybody because I've seen people who ship China and the Philippines use those disputes for plot purposes or conflict. So I think it's more the fact people don't care. But whether they care or not doesn't make it not weird. If anything, its even more weird to ship two countries while knowing they have a strained relationship and issues.

Don't force something that isn't there. If their relationship isn't the best, it isn't meant to be in the time being. I know China and the Philippines don't have the worst relationship in the world, but there are issues that need to be acknowledged too.

➤ (2) **United States** × **China** ; They have an off and on history and being friendly and unfriendly, but for the most part (historically), their relationship hasn't been the best. China sided against the UN and the US during the Korean War and then later on during the Vietnam War. They've had other disputes too, like the political status of Taiwan, the South China Sea disputes, the treatment of the Uyghurs. In 1950 (prior to the Korean War), the US. froze all of China's assets and China has seized $196.8 million worth of American property and assets during the Yangtze River Compagne. And when the Peoples Republic of China was established in 1949, it took the U.S. 30 years to formally recodnize it because they were forming a relationship with the Republic of China (Taiwan) and considered them to be "China".

I believe they are now good economic partners now and trade is really big with them. But much like the Philippines and China, their relationship isn't really near any possibility of romantic attraction. I

can see why one would want them to be neutral or possibly more on the friend side due to their trades and business, but there are multiple issues and dispute they have gone through and some disputes today that holds them from being a ship.

□□➤ (3) **Vietnam** × **China** ; I feel like people forget the Han Dynasty colonised north Vietnam in 111 BCE and had control over it until 937 CE, which is over 1000 years of colonizaion. But aside from that, they fought a boarder war from 1979–1991 because of cross-boarder raids. Vietnam in the 1970s oppressed the Hoa minority which was disapproved by China, and China strengthed ties with the U.S. which was disapproved by Vietnam.

I dont doubt they would be friends or have some connection (they have since improved their relationship a lot since their disputes, resolved the Gulf of Tonkin dispute, and seem to view each other on a positive level) but like the U.S. some past issues I feel prevents them for forming a romantic connection or seeing each other like that. And not every relationship has to be absolutely perfect, I understand they can have their argument but still have a good relationship overall, but at the same time, if disputes are long term and goes by centuries, that is not something that can be easily forgotten or have no significance in their relationship now.

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